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BIRTHS.

DOYLE—January 2, 1925, at Stanley, Greystones, the wife of Edwin Doyle, a son.

HART—January 5, 1925, at Kilderry, County Donegal, the wife of Lieutenant-Colonel J. G. V. Hart, D.E., late West India Regiment, of a son.

HEALY—December 27, 1924, at 5 Mount street Crescent, to Dr. and Mrs. S. M. Healy, a daughter.

KELLY—December 22, 1924, at Nurse Hale's, 45 Harold's Cross road, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Kelly, Shercorra, Hollywood, County Wicklow, a son.

MARRIAGES.

CLEMENTS and DUNN—January 2, 1925, at King's college Chapel, Aberdeen, by the Rev. G. H. Grassick, M.A., Lonsdale Cathedral, assisted by the Rev. R. K. Hanna, M.A., Dublin, and the Rev. A. F. Anderson, B.D., Trog U.F. Church, Glasgow, the Rev. Gordon T. C. Clements, B.A., Dublin, to Margaret J. H. Dunn, M.A., eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dunn, Kinteeve, Alford, Aberdeenshire.

JAMESON and ROBERTS—December 17, 1924, at Drumlane Parish Church, Belturbet, by Rev. W. A. MacBoagall, M.A., Rector of Arva, David Ferguson Jameson, The Medical Hall, Baillieborough, son of the late Robert Jameson, Lisgwy House, Virginia, and Daisy, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Roberts, Aghalane, Belturbet.

McMEEKIN and MANNING—December 20, 1924, at St. Mary of the Angels, Bayswater, London, by the Reverend Ffrench Keogh, assisted by the Reverend Joseph Keating, S.J., cousin of the bridegroom, John McMeekin, son of James and Mary Gabriel McMeekin, St. Germains, Merrion, County Dublin, to Lydia, widow of the late Henry Manning, 77 Ladbroke road, Notting Hill Gate, London.

SHERIDAN and ROBERTS—December 17, 1924, at Drumlane Parish Church, Belturbet, by Rev. W. A. MacBoagall, M.A., Rector of Arva, Samuel Henry Sheridan, of Belfast, only son of the late Thomas Shaigdan and Mrs. Sheridan, Castledermot, County Kildare, and grandson of the late Captain McClean, Kivey, Carrigallen, County Leitrim, and Mary Alicia, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Roberts, Aghalane, Belturbet.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

FLANAGAN—January 1, 1925, at his residence, 2 Stanthorpe road, Streatham, London, S.W., Dr. Robert Flanagan, son of the late Francis Flanagan, Carlton House, Mantua, County Roscommon. Deeply regretted. R.I.P.

FLYNN—January 2, 1925, suddenly, at 17 Ashfield road, Ranelagh, County Dublin, Marie, wife of J. W. Flynn, Llandrron, Kinlas, sister of the late Monsignor O'Hara, Crossmolina, and mother of Matron-General, Military Hospital, Cw-nah Camp. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) morning, after 10 o'clock Mass, from the Church of Our Lady of Refuge, Rathmines, for interment in Glasnevin.

GILES—January 3, 1925, at her residence, 6 Montpelier Parade, Monkstown, Mary Giles, widow of the late Michael Giles, of Ennis, County Kerry. R.I.P. Funeral, after 9 o'clock Mass, St. John's, Blackrock, Wednesday morning.

GRIMSTON—January 3, 1925, at 19 Mayfield road, Terenure, Percy Harvey Grimston (late representative Spratt's Patent, Ltd., London), aged 52 years, dearly-loved husband of Isabel May Grimston. Funeral to Mount Jerome to-morrow (Tuesday) 10 o'clock.

HARRISON—January 3, 1925, at St. Vincent's Private Nursing Home, Dr. Mary F. Welply Harrison, wife of Dr. Percy R. Harrison, Harrington street, Dublin. R.I.P. Funeral private. American papers please copy.

IRWIN—At Montana, Vermela, Switzerland, Thomas F. A. Irwin, third son of the late T. F. N. Irwin, of Donnybrook, and of Mrs. Irwin, Frodsham, Rhuneirgr.

KELLETT—At Northern Bank House, Elphin, Mary Emily Del Kellett, widow of deceased Edward Kellett. R.I.P. Funeral, Virginia, to-day (Monday), 5th inst.

KENNY—January 3, 1925, at his residence, The Glen, Ballinalee, Matthew Kenny. Funeral 2 o'clock to-day (Monday).

LOUDSHEED—January 1, 1925, at Garden Hill, Sligo, Margaret, daughter of the late Doctor John Loudsheed, of Sligo, aged 85 years.

McDERMOTT—Mrs. McDermott, wife of the late Patrick McDermott, Preston Vale, Nobber. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) from Nobber Chapel to Nobber Cemetery at 2 p.m.

McGREGOR—January 2, 1925, at the Summit, Howth, County Dublin, Duncan McGregor, late of Rosscroft, Frankfort avenue, and secretary Dublin Mercantile Association, dearly-loved and loving husband of Ruth McGregor. Funeral leaves Howth 9.50 a.m. to-morrow (Tuesday), arriving Mount Jerome 11 a.m.

MacCARTHY—January 3, 1925, at his daughter's residence, 16 Hanaville Park, Terenure, Dublin, Daniel Francis (Dan), son of late Jeremiah MacCarthy, Ballymurphy, County Cork. R.I.P. Funeral from Mount Argus R.C. Church to-morrow (Tuesday) morning, after 10 o'clock Mass, to Glasnevin.

MOLE—January 3, 1925, at 56 Granada road, Southsea, Joseph Mole, late of Ballagh House, Queen's County, Ireland.

ROSITER—December 31, 1924, Tom, dearly-beloved only son of Thomas and Geraldine Rositer, Inchmurry, Marlborough road, Donnybrook, Dublin. R.I.P.

ROTHWELL—At 16 Pembroke Cottages, Donnybrook, Dublin, suddenly, William Rothwell, aged 71. Deeply regretted by his sons, relatives, and a large circle of friends. Funeral leaves above address at 11.30 to-day for Mount Jerome.

RUTLEDGE-ATKINSON—January 1, 1925, at Silverbirch, Wylde Green, Birmingham, Gilson Letitia Charlotte (née Atkinson), the beloved daughter of George A. and M. Atkinson, and dearly-loved sister of Major John Atkinson, Maud Angel Atkinson, Mrs. O. Wilson, Mrs. M. Loban, and Mrs. H. C. A. Thieme, Cres Hall, Sunnisliffen, and 90 Sandford road, Ranelagh. Canadian and Australian papers please copy.

SUNNER—January 4, 1925, at 26 Leeson Park, Richard Sumner, late of York, father of Noel Sumner, 20 Eaton square, Monkstown, and father-in-law of Rev. W. J. Oliver.

VERDON—January 2, 1925, at his residence, 4, Haworth road, Manchester, John (Jack) Verdon, aged 28 years, dearly-loved husband of Nellie Verdon, and eldest son of Alice Verdon and the late J. W. H. Verdon, of Dublin, and brother of Mrs. Morrison, The Bungalow, Seniscorthy. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral Wednesday.

WEBB—January 3, 1925, at his residence, 67 Kenilworth square, Roger Webb, elder son of Thomas Henry Webb, 80 Harcourt street, and dearly-loved husband of Florence Lacy Webb. Funeral (private) arriving at Temple Hill to-morrow (Tuesday), 6th January, at 10.15 a.m. English papers please copy.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The relatives of the late **Thomas Fantony**, Navan, return sincere thanks to all who sent telegrams and letters of sympathy in their recent bereavement, and trust this acknowledgment will be accepted by all.

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Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22nd and 23rd Vic., Cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors of the above named deceased, who died at No. 8 Cabra Park, aforesaid, on the 20th November, 1923, are required, before the 9th February, 1925, to furnish (in writing) particulars of such claims to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executors of the Will of deceased, to whom Probate was granted on the 14th of March, 1924, at Dublin.

And Notice is hereby given that after the said 9th February, 1925, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the Assets of said deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice is received, and that they will not be liable for the assets so distributed to any person, of whose claim or demand they shall not have had notice.

Dated the 21st day of December, 1924.

SHERIDAN and KENNY, Solicitors for said Executors, 24 Eustace street, Dublin.

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WANTED

WANTED, first class Motor Mechanic, with a thorough knowledge of electric lighting and electric ignition; state wages expected and references.—Address "Z 374, Mechanic," this office. 2 C

DISENGAGED.

CHAUFFEUR-MECHANIC, Situation; 13 years' city and country experience; highest references recommended.—Address "Z 327, Chauffeur," this office. 2 C

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LOST, on Sunday, Fur Collarette; will be rewarded. 24 Clonliffe road. 1

LOST, on Saturday, Gold Bracelet watch, between Grafton street and Dame street. Finder rewarded. 240, Management Buildings, Ballast.

STRAYED from 65 Hollybrook road, Clontarf, small Brown Terrier, white spot on tail, on Friday, 2nd January. Reward given.

SITUATIONS VACANT.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE pursuant to the BOROUGH OF DUBLIN.

APPOINTMENT OF A LADY SHORTHAND-TYPIST AND CLERICAL ASSISTANT.

The Insurance Committee for the Borough of Dublin require the services of a Lady Shorthand-Typist and Clerical Assistant. Candidates must be between 21 and 30 years of age, and must possess a thorough knowledge of shorthand and typewriting, and a knowledge of Irish. The salary will be made subject to the sanction of the National Health Insurance Commission, and will be £100 per annum, rising by annual increments of £5 to £120 per annum. Applications, in own handwriting, together with copies of testimonials, should be addressed to the Chairman of the Committee, Mr. S. R. Birchall, and must be lodged at the Office of the Committee, 4 Clifford street, not later than 12 o'clock noon on Friday, the 9th January, 1925.

ACCOUNTANTS have vacancy for Articled Clerk; also Junior Clerk; knowledge of shorthand desirable.—Box 1,284, this office. 2 C

ALL Pupils of Barry's Commercial School, 10 Harcourt street, Dublin, on attaining the necessary standard of proficiency in Shorthand and Typewriting are guaranteed positions.

ATLANTIC Cables, 45-47 Henry street, Dublin, require Operators, Male and Female. Apply Cable Office, G.P.O. Telegraphy. Next Session 15th January. Prospectus free. 24

CLERK, Fire repairs; smart, reliable; one who can type about 40 words per min.; must have good knowledge of Irish; state salary required.—Apply "Z 145, this office. 2 B

CLERK required, Insurance Office; must be good penman and quick at figures; state salary required.—Apply "Z 146, this office. 2 B

MONEY, PARTNERSHIPS, ETC.

A1 LOAN from £10 upwards (or in bulk) on note of hand; interest from 6 per cent.; distance no object. 16 15

ADVANCES on War Loan, Stocks, Shares; Income Vouchers undealt.—A. Elkington, 48 Aungier street. 2

ADVANCES to Shopkeepers and private householders from £5 upwards; without security; any amount considered; 2½ per cent. 36 T

EX-MILITARY and R.I.C. pensions Vouchers discounted without delay at 33 South Frederick street, Dublin. 2

LOANS—The Continental Union Loan and Discount Co., Ltd., 17 Jervis Abbey street, Dublin; great Loans. Apply to Manager. 23 20

LOANS advanced on own note of hand; sale of country. Call or write, W. Watson, 3 Stanhope street, Dublin. 2

WHOLESALE Clothing Manufacturer has Factory and Plant, open to some person (gentleman or lady) with £2,000 cash, to join him in business. 24

£5 TO £500 Advanced privately on approved personal security of borrower at an extremely low rate of interest; loans to be repaid by small weekly sums to suit. Call or write for particulars, J. Fraser and Co., 1 Dashford street, Belfast. 26 2

HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS. OFFICIALS, SERVANTS, ETC.

POSITIONS VACANT.

A1 Assistant Porter, strong Lad Wanted. Apply Four Courts Hotel, between 10 and 11 this morning. 2

HOTEL (City, Housekeeper required.—B 47, this office. 2

SMART General required. Apply Hotel Gerard, Harcourt street, with reference. 2 A

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

YOUNG Man desires situation as Boots or Waiter; has had some experience of both; good references.—Address "Z 352, Man," this office. 2

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

APPRENTICE Wanted, high class Pharmacy, Dublin city; premium £75.—Z 344, this office. 2

APPRENTICE Wanted, City Pharmacy (politico); no premium; future assured. Address "Z 320, Apprentice," this office. 2

APPRENTICE Wanted in first class Pharmacy, Co. Kildare; indoor; £40 1st. Address "Z 314, Apprentice," this office. 2 C

CHEMIST'S Stock, Mahogany Shop Fittings, Show Rounds, etc., for immediate sale. Southern provincial town. Apply Box "Z 370, Stock," this office. 2

DENTIST requires experienced, reliable Mechanic; must have full particulars, salary expected, etc.—Box "Z 377, Dentist," this office. 2

ELASTIC Stockings, 5/6; Knee Caps, 3/6; Anklets, 2/6, best sensible quality; Surgical Trusses, Hot Water Bottles, etc.; catalogue.—Blake's Medical Stores, 80 Upper Dorset street, off Manor street, Dublin. 24 1 A

NURSE (general trained), refined, requires position with invalid lady (gentleman); cleaning; terms moderate.—D 1982, this office. 2

NURSE Attendant to lady or gentleman or elderly person; city or county doctors' references.—B 151, this office. 2

PHARMACEUTICAL Chemist seeks position; long experience; excellent references.—Address "Z 321, Chemist," this office. 2

WANTED, wife, well, morning afternoon with convalescent; live out.—D 1964, this office. 31 A

WANTED, Qualified Chemist, R.C. country, indoor, assistant; locum, for (six months); state terms.—Address "Z 315, Chemist," this office. 2 C

WANTED, Nurse Attendant, hospital trained for gentleman. Reply, with copies, stating age, salary, etc., to this office. 2

YOUNG Lady, some experience, desires position as Secretary Attendant to doctor or dentist.—F 15, this office. 2

LEGAL APPOINTMENTS.

WANTED, competent and experienced Managing Clerk; owing to sudden change of Solicitor's plans in good provincial town; good salary assured to suitable man. Replies treated with strict confidence. Apply, stating age, experience and salary expected, D 1981, this office. 2

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EXPERIENCED Governess (Protestant) desires re-engagement; excellent testimonials.—E 114, this office. 2

FULLY Qualified Pianoforte Teacher has vacancies for Pupils. For particulars apply E 91, this office. 2 C

FULL Secretarial Course, including Shorthand, Typewriting, Practical Business Bookkeeping, Secretaryship.—Rowe's Academy, 20 Dawson street. 2

FRENCH Lessons—Preparation for Examinations, Conversation Classes.—Mademoiselle Brunet, Private Classes. 2

GOVERNESS (Protestant) desires re-engagement; intermediate; three years' English and one year's Irish. 31 A

GENTLEMAN wishes to meet lady desirous of receiving instruction; also Lessons given in Drawing, Painting, Music, Elocution, Dancing, Deportment, Fencing, Boxing, Gymnastics, Basket Work, Leather Work, Bookbinding, Carpentry, Turning, Metal Work, Electricity, Chemistry, Photography, Shorthand, Typewriting, Bookkeeping, Languages, Mathematics, Science, Literature, Drama, Poetry, Singing, Dancing, Elocution, Physical Culture, Swimming, Rowing, Cycling, Motoring, Flying, Golf, Tennis, Cricket, Football, Hockey, Boxing, Fencing, Gymnastics, Billiards, Chess, Draughts, Cards, Dominoes, this office. 2

HIGHLY qualified Lady, art teacher, will give private lessons; terms moderate.—Box 1,284, this office. 1

HIGHLY qualified Arts Graduate, M. Litt., gives lessons; French literature and conversation with resident French lady; Irish literature and composition with resident Gaelic scholar.—Address "Z 322, Graduate," this office. 2

LADY highly recommended Resident Protestant Governess desires re-engagement; excellent testimonials; Irish and French; preferred Shannon Estuary, Abbeyfeale, Limerick. 2 D

LADY (Protestant) qualified Violinist (Trinity College) receives pianoforte, violin, viola, vocal, theoretical subjects; resident position, either in school or privately. Address "Z 1052, Lady," this office. 2

NON Resident Post desired by Lady with young children, or Companion; Dublin.—D 1977, this office. 3 D

QUALIFIED Kindergarten Teacher (U.C.), experienced, desires re-engagement; excellent testimonials.—E 69, this office. 2 A

SHORTHAND, Typewriting, Bookkeeping, etc.—Metropolitan College (Gillespie's), 100 Lower Mount street. 2

SHORTHAND, Typewriting—Private Tuition; moderate terms; afternoons; rapid results.—Manager, 16 Appin Way. 2

SCHOLAR—Double Senior Moderatorship Course Master, Dublin or Tullibeg; all Trinity courses.; Greek, Latin, English.—E 39, this office. 2

SMALL Private School, near Dublin, takes few boarders, boys or girls; special care given; delicate children. Home life in the country, combined with light lessons; highest references; terms moderate.—B 255, Beaufort, Dalkey. 3 D

YOUNG Lady will shortly have time to share daily governess with another; terms moderate; references exchanged.—Mrs. Eustace, Lisnagarvey, Glenageary. 2

YOUNG Lady with Kindergarten training wishes to hear of position.—E 85, this office. 2 C

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A GENT FOR GOVERNESSES AND SCHOOLS (Protestant) Wanted; Cards of Vacancies; Advice Parents and Managers. Tel. No. 5256. 7

MALE R.C. Teacher required in Dublin Secondary School; Irish essential.—Address "Z 316, this office. 2 C

WANTED, Protestant Nursery Governess; girl about 20; colours, copies references, and salary required.—Apply Mrs. Lowndes, Dunsandle, Clarinbridge. 2 C

WANTED, Nursery Governess for two children, 11 and 6 years; £40/£45; Protestant. Apply, with references, Mrs. Hamilton, Bank of Ireland, Dame street Branch Office, Dublin. 1 B

WANTED, Nursery Governess or Lady Help; two children; Protestant; £40 to start. Apply Mrs. Hayes, Ivinghoe, Killiney. 2

WANTED, Governess (Protestant), to teach and take charge of two children, aged 9 and 7; state age and salary. Address "Z 317, Governess," this office. 2

WANTED, Private Governess, Lismore, evening; state salary.—Address "Z 161, this office. 2

WANTED, Protestant Governess, Church of Ireland; Dublin; two children.—Mrs. Warren Wemyss, 3 Richmond place. 2

WANTED, experienced Protestant Governess, three pupils; small subjects, Latin, good music; state age, salary required, and when disengaged. Apply Mrs. Pentelow. 3 D

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

BOOKKEEPER, 15 years' experience, desires post, first; excellent testimonials.—D 1971, this office. 2

BOOKKEEPER Cashier—Young Man, engaged, loud position; 4 years' experience; disengaged date. Address "Z 323, Bookkeeper," this office. 2

BARMAID, experienced, wishes to hear of vacancy; capable of taking charge. Address "Z 346, Barmaid," this office. 2

BUTCHER, first class stall and shop; references, diploma; 10 years' experience; disengaged.—Address "Z 358, Mac," this office. 2 B

CLERK, six years' experience, seeks position city or suburbs; moderate salary.—Address "Z 324, Clerk," this office. 2 C

DRESSMAKER-Waiter, situation. Cutter and Fitter; first class experience; Dublin or west coast preferred.—Address "Z 325, Dressmaker," this office. 2

E.R.G.O. seeks employment; age 34, Typist, Correspondence, Bookkeeping, Office Organisation; excellent references; moderate salary.—Address "Z 326, Ergo," this office. 2

EDUCATED Cook-Lady Help, thoroughly understand, disengaged; Protestant; Nursery General; 3 adults, district west side; any position treated.—E 50, this office. 2

ENGINEER, certificated, experience all classes of motorises and boilers, electric; accustomed to economical running; good testimonials; moderate wages. Apply Box 1,284, this office. 1

GIRL (sat) lady school, seeks position in office; no knowledge of shorthand or typewriting; good writer; good reference.—E 99, this office. 2

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LADY Help (disengaged date), good cook; city or country; Protestant.—E 258, this office. 2

LADY Help, disengaged, daily, Kingstown district; cook, Dalkey.—L 49, Irish Times Branch Office, Dublin. 2

MAN Vacant upon estate or gentleman's garden; expert, or sacred music.—Address "Z 348, Vocalist," this office. 2

NO Salary—Lady Help Companion, Protestant; wants comfortable home, for (six months); state terms.—Address "Z 355, Companion," this office. 2

PARENTS of a respectable Boy, aged 15, (he has left school) wish to apprentice him to some Business or Profession in the city. Address in first instance, stating terms, etc., to Mrs. Kelly, 3 Clifton terrace, Monkstown. 2

PLUMBER, Fitter.—Young Man, experienced, 4 years; works by wage.—E 124, this office. 2

REFINED Girl, age 20, in spare time, desires position as Companion to Lady; good needlewoman; excellent references.—B 1415, this office. 31 A

SHORTHAND Typist, over three years' experience, desires position; disengaged.—Address "Z 327, this office. 2

SHORTHAND Typist, experienced, seeks position; disengaged; excellent references; good typist; moderate salary.—E 241, this office. 2

EMPLOYMENT WANTED CONTINUED.

TYPIST—Girl, age 17, just left school, with a full knowledge of shorthand, typewriting, and book-keeping, seeks position; highest references.—E 76, this office. 2

WANTED, Position, Post Assistant, Sorter, Counter; 3 years' experience; city, country.—Fyfe, Inst 49 Aungier street. 2

WORKING Housekeeper—Young Lady wishes to meet gentleman requiring housekeeper; or position in private family.—Address "Z 349, Housekeeper," this office. 2

WANTED, post, by Lady Help, accustomed; child over 12; Irish Times Branch Office. 2

YOUNG Lady, 16, wishes post, Protestant Help; 3 years' experience; Irish Times Branch Office. 2

YOUNG Lady, L.C., seeks post, Lady Help, Dublin or suburbs.—C. Forbes, Cullenagh, Dunmanway, Cork. 2

YOUNG girl, well educated, desires Position as Junior Shorthand Typist; good salary to start.—Address "Z 354, Typist," this office. 2 C

YOUNG Country Man, 19, would be glad to get work on farm; small wage considered. Apply B 1464, this office. 3 B

YOUNG Lady, Bookkeeper, Shorthand Typist, with experience, seeks change.—Address "Z 351, Bookkeeper," this office. 2

YOUNG Lady (Lib'ian) desires position, Shop or Office; some experience.—Z 155, this office. 3 D

MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

BOY Wanted for General Work in gentleman's place; must be well recommended.—Captain Addington, Mountjoy Blessington, Wicklow. 2 C

REQUIRED, Gardener, Valet for country; state exact wages and age.—Lyster-Smythe, Darterville, Collinstown, Westmeath. 2

WANTED, experienced General Man; R.C.; wife, two children; all round; cattle, fowl, rearing; state wages, etc., Mrs. Smith, Dunlavin, Co. Wicklow. 31 A

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS WANTED.

STEWARD—Wanted, for Job in Mayo, reliable, active man; good knowledge of stock, experience in timber and sawmilling; able to handle men; small accounts. Address, stating age, experience, copies references, salary expected, "Z 338, Steward," this office. 2

WANTED, good Working Gardener, lads given; good particulars to Somerville, Rathnew, Wicklow. 2 C

WANTED for Midland town, really good Working Gardener; must thoroughly understand vegetables and outside work. Address, with full particulars, age, "Z 350, Gardener," this office. 2 D

MALE SERVANTS DISENGAGED.

ELDERLY, active Man-cook wishes situation, country; good pastry; £1 monthly; indoor, only.—Z 160, this office. 2

GROOM; unblemishable stabling; hunters, harness, trap; ride; Irish Times Branch Office, Clarence Mangan Mullingar. 31 A

GAMEKEEPER, Chesshire seeks position; good character essential; good vermin Pillery Protection; good; references; disengaged.—Address "Z 300, Gamekeeper," this office. 2

GAMEKEEPER, married, Protestant; life experience Pheasant rearing, rabbits and vermin killing; disengaged; excellent testimonials.—Address "Z 328, Gamekeeper," this office. 2

HEAD or Single Man wants Situation, Apply John Kennedy, Clonagh, Stradbally, Co. Kildare. 2 D

PROTESTANT Man, married, no family, wishes situation as Gardener-Coachman; or Groom and Gardener preferred.—374, Irish Times Branch Office, Blackrock. 2

RABBIT Trapper, good character; can give best references. Apply Ashborough, Naas. 2 D

TRAPPER, own gear, requires job; state terms per couple.—Address "Z 246, Trapper," this office. 2

YOUNG Man seeks employment; care baskets, drive pony and trap; good on track; good references.—B 0 1464, Irish Times Branch Office, Blackrock. 31 A

YOUNG Man wants situation Dairyman or Yardman; understands all kinds of farm work; can be highly recommended (Bailiff). Address "Z 371, Man," this office. 4 D

YOUNG married Man seeks situation as Yard and Dairy Hand; highest character; no family; wife required; highly recommended. Address "Z 375, Yardman," this office. 2

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS DISENGAGED.

EXPERIENCED Working Gardener, single, all branches, indoor and out; recommended. Address "Z 1400, Gardener," this office. 2

EXPERIENCED Gardener wishes pruning, planting, etc., Saturdays; commercial, dairy.—E 176, this office. 2

GARDENER, married, no family; highly recommended; married on estate.—Address "Z 345, Gardener," this office. 31 B

GENTLEMAN seeks position; experienced; good farm and garden; not afraid of work; excellent references and "Z 350, Gentleman," this office. 2 C

HEAD Working Gardener, experienced in all branches; suburbs; disengaged; highest references; please state terms.—E 163, this office. 3 D

HEAD Gardener, experienced in all branches; Protestant; age 35; married; no family; excellent testimonials; disengaged.—Address "Z 329, Gardener," this office. 2

WANTED, Gardener, Chauffeur, Groom, Valet, Footman, Steward, Dairyman, Farm Bailiff, Herdsman, Tutor, Governess, Companion, Nurse, Nurse Housekeeper, Matron, Cook, Housekeeper, Parlourmaid, Housemaid, Kitchenmaid, Laundress, Dairymaid, Lady's Maid, Waitress, Kitchenmaid, Scullery Maid, Boots, Pantryman, Hall Porter, Chauffeur, Motor Mechanic, Chauffeur-Gardener, Chauffeur-Valet, Chauffeur-Handyman, Chauffeur-Mechanic, Chauffeur-Groom, Chauffeur-Footman, Chauffeur-Butler, Chauffeur-Steward, Chauffeur-Gardener-Valet, Chauffeur-Gardener-Handyman, Chauffeur-Gardener-Mechanic, Chauffeur-Gardener-Groom, Chauffeur-Gardener-Footman, Chauffeur-Gardener-Butler, Chauffeur-Gardener-Steward, Chauffeur-Valet-Handyman, Chauffeur-Valet-Mechanic, Chauffeur-Valet-Groom, Chauffeur-Valet-Footman, Chauffeur-Valet-Butler, Chauffeur-Valet-Steward, Chauffeur-Handyman-Mechanic, Chauffeur-Handyman-Groom, Chauffeur-Handyman-Footman, Chauffeur-Handyman-Butler, Chauffeur-Handyman-Steward, Chauffeur-Mechanic-Groom, Chauffeur-Mechanic-Footman, Chauffeur-Mechanic-Butler, Chauffeur-Mechanic-Steward, Chauffeur-Groom-Footman, Chauffeur-Groom-Butler, Chauffeur-Groom-Steward, Chauffeur-Footman-Butler, Chauffeur-Footman-Steward, Chauffeur-Butler-Steward, Valet, Hall Porter, Boots, Pantryman, Kitchenmaid, Scullery Maid, Waitress, Housemaid, Lady's Maid, Laundress, Dairymaid, Nurse Housekeeper, Nurse, Governess, Companion, Tutor, Herdsman, Farm Bailiff, Steward, Butler, Valet-Steward, Valet-Butler, Valet-Footman, Valet-Groom, Valet-Gardener, Valet-Chauffeur, Valet-Mechanic, Valet-Handyman, Valet-Gardener-Chauffeur, Valet-Gardener-Groom, Valet-Gardener-Footman, Valet-Gardener-Butler, Valet-Gardener-Steward, Valet-Handyman-Mechanic, Valet-Handyman-Groom, Valet-Handyman-Footman, Valet-Handyman-Butler, Valet-Handyman-Steward, Valet-Mechanic-Groom, Valet-Mechanic-Footman, Valet-Mechanic-Butler, Valet-Mechanic-Steward, Valet-Groom-Footman, Valet-Groom-Butler, Valet-Groom-Steward, Valet-Footman-Butler, Valet-Footman-Steward, Valet-Butler-Steward, Cook, Cook-Housekeeper, Cook-Lady, Cook-Laundress, Cook-Housemaid, Cook-Parlourmaid, Cook-Waitress, Cook-Kitchenmaid, Cook-Scullery Maid, Cook-Dairymaid, Cook-Nurse Housekeeper, Cook-Nurse, Cook-Governess, Cook-Companion, Cook-Tutor, Cook-Herdsman, Cook-Farm Bailiff, Cook-Steward, Cook-Butler, Cook-Valet, Cook-Hall Porter, Cook-Boots, Cook-Pantryman, Cook-Kitchenmaid, Cook-Scullery Maid, Cook-Waitress, Cook-Housemaid, Cook-Lady's Maid, Cook-Laundress

ROBERTS Great Winter SALE

The past few months of extraordinary business success, which included our Great 20th Anniversary Sale, made it necessary that we should carry very much larger stocks than usual. These must now be cleared out to make room for new goods. Having an enormous lot of goods to sell means that we must make the Sale Prices very tempting in order to get rid of them quickly. You can see from these examples what wonderful value we are offering. As well as these there are a great many small lots of goods tossed and soiled during the Christmas rush which are reduced to ridiculously low prices. Call and have a look around for these Great Bargains. Country customers are at no disadvantage through being unable to call personally, as Roberts do not charge postage on anything except heavy goods such as China, Linoleum, Furniture, etc. You may order by post in perfect confidence, as we pay very special attention to Post Orders, and if the goods are not *exactly* as desired your money will be refunded at once and without question. Pick what you want from this list and post your Order Now. If you don't see the special article you need in these columns write us fully as to your needs.

MATERIALS

SATIN—Heavy quality Artificial Satin, great bargain opportunity, thoroughly recommended to give satisfaction in wear, delightful shot effects. Usual Price, per yard, 8/11. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **5/11**

TAFFETA—Shot Silk Taffeta, fine quality, in two tone effects, a large selection of shades, 36 inches wide. Usual price, per yard, 7/11. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **5/6**

CORDUROY VELVET—Superior quality Cord-roy Velvet. This cloth has been sold with ease, 27 inches wide. Usual price, per yard, 3/11. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **2/6**

DUCHESSE MOUSSELINE—Black Duchesse Mousseline, beautiful soft finish, 37 inches wide. Usual price, per yard, 5/11. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **3/11**

CREPE MOIRE—The latest fabric for day or evening wear, in a charmius range of shades, 36 inches wide. Usual price, per yard, 5/11. Robert's Sale Price, per yard.... **3/11½**

CHIFFON VELVETEEN—36 inches wide, fast pile and soft finish, all shades to clear; cannot be repeated. Usual price, per yard, 8/11. Robert's Sale Price, per yard ... **5/11**

WOOL SUITINGS—1,000 yards Wool Suitings, newest shades for spring wear, plain and fancy, bought on exceptional terms. Usual price, per yard, 4/11. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **1/10**

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CREPE-DE-SOI—This fabric wears and washes well as the best Crepe-de-Chine, suitable for all Lingerie, all shades, 40 inches wide. Usual price, per yard, 4/11. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **3/9**

STRIPE SUITING — Manufacturer's clearing line of All-Wool Stripe Suiting, bought at less than making price, 52 inches wide. Usual price, per yard, 8/11. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **3/11**

SHEETS

TWILL SHEETS.—White Twill Sheets, an exceptional Bargain, made by Finlays, absolutely free from dressing. A Sheet that will give entire satisfaction in wash and wear, size 2 yards by 3 yards. Usual price, per pair, 19/11. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **16/11**

SHEETS — Government Supplies Sheets, made from Cream Balloon fabric, perfectly pure, and free from dressing; after a few tubbings will bleach snow white, size 90 inches by 90 inches. Usual price, per pair, 12/6. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **8/11**

SHEETING — Horrockses Twill Sheeting, lovely quality, and free from dressing, nice soft make, will wash and wear well, size 54 inches. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **2/6½**

Size 70 inches wide. Robert's Sale Price, per yard ... **3/6½**

SHEETING — Unbleached Linen Sheeting, suitable for hard wear. This is an ideal cloth, quickly bleaches white, size 54 inches wide. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **4/6½**

Size 65 inches wide. Robert's Sale Price, per yard.... **4/11½**

SERVIETTES.—Damask Serviettes, assorted design, good hard-wearing quality, splendid for everyday use. Robert's Sale Price, **10½**

COLLAR AND CUFFS.—Effective Collar and Cuffs for round-shaped neck. Usual price, 3/11. Robert's Sale Price, **2/11½**

BERTHA COLLARS.—Travellers' samples Bertha Collars in Georgette, Lace, Crepe-de-Chine, suitable for wearing with frocks; wonderful value for a few days. Usual Price, each, 8/11. Robert's Sale Price, each **3/11½**

CAMI - KNICKERS — Fine quality embroidered Cami-Knickers in good quality Nainsook, envelope shape. Robert's Sale Price, **12/11**

CAMISOLES — Jap Silk and Crepe-de-Chine Camisoles, trimmed lace, and ribbon shoulder straps, elastic at waist. Usual price, each, 2/11. Robert's Sale Price, each **1/11**

6/11

DUCHESS SETS — Plain Linen, with scalloped edges, colours fast to light and washing, in Pink, Wine, Mauve, and Yellow, long cover and three mats complete. Robert's Sale Price, per set **6/11**

2/6 **2/6**

EAR-RINGS—Special Bargain in Ear-rings, fashionable long and hoop shape, in colours of Amber, Red, Jade, Royal, and Black. Usual Price, per pair, 5/11 and 4/11. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **2/6**

2/6

Just the thing for your last year's Evening Frock to make it look smart with a nice Paste Buckle. Also in different coloured stones for all shades of evening dresses. Robert's Sale Price, each, **2/6**

WARM UNDERWEAR

COMBINATIONS—All pure wool Combinations, full size V neck and short sleeves, in Cream only. Limited quantity. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **4/11**

KNICKERS — Heavy quality fleecy-lined Knickers, full gusseted, in colours of Navy, Mole, and Saxe. Wonderful value. Robert's Sale Price per pair **1/11½**

VESTS—Fine quality Ribbed Vests, V neck and short sleeves, shaped waist; will wash and wear well. Ideal for present wear. Robert's Sale Price, **2/11½** each .....

VESTS—All pure wool Ribbed Vests, with short sleeves, full size. Robert's Sale Price, each **1/11½**

SPENCERS—Shetland Knit Spencers, all pure wool, with three-quarter sleeves and low neck. Robert's Sale Price, each **1/11½**

CHEMISE VESTS—Special Value in all-Wool Chemise Vests, with V neck and short sleeves. Beautifully soft and warm. Length, 44 inches. Robert's Sale Price, each **5/11**

SLEEPING VESTS—Special Value in All-Wool Shetland Knit Sleeping Vests, short sleeves. Robert's Sale Price, each **1/11½**

With long sleeves. Robert's Sale Price, each..... **2/11½**

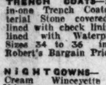
JUMPERS & BLOUSES

JUMPERS—Artificial Silk Jumpers, lace stitch design, three-quarter sleeves, round neck, girdle at waist, in colours of Sky/White, Jade/White, Saxe/White, etc. Robert's Sale Price **5/11**

JUMPERS—Chiffon Velveteen Jumpers, trimmed Oriental embroidery, round neck, short sleeves. Robert's Sale Price **9/-**

WOOL JUMPERS — Very warm Wool Jumpers, round neck, long sleeves, girdle at waist. A few colours only: White/Sky, Green/White, Pink/White, and Lemon/White. Usual price, 25/11. Robert's Sale Price **10/-**

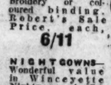
BLOUSES—Jap Schappe Blouses and Jumpers, Peter-Pan collar, also with Robespierre collar. Robert's Sale Price, **12/-**



DAY SHIRTS—Gent's Flannel Day Shirts. A recent purchase of entire stock of Lancashire Mill. They are 70 p.c. Wool and 30 p.c. Cotton. Yellow grounds with neat stripes. will give comfort, heat and very long wear. Usual price, each, 9/11. Robert's Sale Price, each **6/11**

SHIRTS—Tunic Day Shirts, the oddments of season's trading. We have collected the remains of our stock at 5/6, 6/6, and 7/11 numbers. To be sold at Robert's Sale Price, each **4/11**

Navy Serge Tunics, suitable for School and Hockey wear, all sizes. Robert's Sale Price, from ... **9/11**



White Wincyette Gym. Blouses. Sizes 3 to 9. Robert's Sale Price, from **4/6**

Large selection of Blouses in Jap Silk, Tussore, Delaine, and Spun Silk, for Hockey and Gym.; regulation. Robert's Sale Price, from **7/11**

HOSE—Boys' Knicker Hose, all wool, with fancy turned down tops. Splendid Value. Robert's Sale Price, per pair. **1/6** from

STOCKINGS. — Girls' long Stockings, in colours of Black, Tan, Putty and Fawn, all pure wool. Very warm. Robert's Sale Price, per pair, from **2/11½**

OVERCOATS—Men's Fleece and Cheviot Overcoats in a large variety of colourings, cut and tailored by an expert, very fashionable garment. Robert's Sale Price **63/-** **73/6** and

WATERPROOF COATS—Men's Waterproof Coats, single breasted, made to button up to neck, double texture. A first class Waterproof, made to give long wear. Robert's Sale Price **33/11**

TRENCH COATS—Men's three-in-one Trench Coats, outer material Stone covered Gaberdine, lined with check lining and interlined with Waterproof Oilskin. Sizes 34 to 46 inches chest. Robert's Bargain Price **42/-**

NIGHT GOWNS—Cream Wincyette Nightgowns of strong hard-wearing and good washing cloth, made with V and square neck and three-quarter sleeves, yoke trimmed embroidery or coloured binding. Robert's Sale Price, each, **6/11**

NIGHT GOWNS—Wonderful value in White Wincyette Nightgowns, in Cream only, with V-neck and short sleeves, embroidered front. Usual price, 6/11. Robert's Sale Price, each **4/11½**

RIBBONS, ETC.

ROSES—Special Line in Large Roses. Robert's Sale Price, each, 2/11 and **2/11½**

CAMELLIAS—All shades. Robert's Sale Price, each..... **1/11½**

RIBBON—Striped Fancy Silk Ribbon, 8 inches wide. Usual price, per yard, 2/11½. Robert's Sale Price, per yard.... **1/11½**

RIBBON—Fancy Chene Ribbon, 6 inches wide. Usual price, per yard, 1/6½. Robert's Sale Price, per yard..... **1/-**

SATIN RIBBON—2½ inches wide Satin Ribbon, in colours of White, Pink, Blue, Navy, Green, Helio, Brown, Lemon and Gold; suitable for Hair Bow. Robert's Sale Price, per yard..... **9½**

CORDED RIBBON—7 inches wide Corded Silk Ribbon, in colours of Brown, Rush, Grey, Fawn, Saxe, Purple. Robert's Sale Price, per yard..... **1/6½**

RIBBON—Black Satin Ribbon, very good quality, 4½ inches wide. Robert's Sale Price, per yard..... **9½D.**

TINSEL RIBBON—9 inches wide Tinsel Ribbon, in colours Black/Gold, Black / Silver, Royal / Gold, and Rush/Silver; suitable for making bags. Robert's Sale Price, per yard..... **2/11½**

WRAP COAT—Smart Wrap Coat, made in beautiful soft quality velour cloth, large collar of Coney fur, lap-over front, fastening to side with the belt of self material. Stocked in colours of Mole, Light Brown, Mid-Brown, and Black. Usual price, 5½ Gns. Robert's Sale Price ... **£4 19/11**

HOSIERY

HOSIERY—Ladies' All-Wool Cashmere Stockings, real Botany yarn, black and colours. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **1/11**

Usual price, per pair, 2/11.

HOSIERY—Mixed Lot of Ladies' Stockings, Artificial Silks, Fantasmeres, Lisle Threads, and Pure Silks. Robert's Price, per pair **2/6**

HOSIERY—Ladies' Artificial Silk Hose, in all shades, full fashioned, 8 silk double heels and toes. Robert's Sale Price, per pair ... **1/11½**

HOSIERY — Ladies' Pure Silk Stockings, in Grey and Brown only. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **2/6**

Usual Price, per pair, 12/11.

HOSIERY—Ladies' Stockings, all Pure Silk, guaranteed, in most leading shades. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **3/11½**

Usual Price, per pair, 21/-.

HOSIERY—Ladies' Stockings, all Pure Silk, guaranteed, in Black and colours. The Lessmend quality. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **6/6½**

Ladies' Stockings, in most leading colours. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **1/-**

HANDBAGS, ETC.

Great Clearing Line of Ladies' Handbags, in Real Velvet Calf, lined strong Moire, good steel frame, three divisions and back pocket, also strap clasp. **10/-** To Clear at .....

World Double.

Ladies' French Beaded Handbags, large size, with square frame, Imitation Tortoiseshell mounts, beautiful designs and colourings, lined Silk, with hanging mirror. Sale Price ..... **18/11** Were 33/11.

Real Leather Purses, in Crocodile Suede Leather, three divisions and front pockets, finished strong clasp. Sale Price..... **10½D.**

Strong Bag, Mounts in Imitation Oxidised, various designs, strong clasp and chain handles. Very Cheap. To clear, each..... **6½D.**

SHOPPING BAGS—Useful Shopping Bags, in Brown and Grey Suede, with strong handle sewn strong to fasten. Size 12½ by 10½ inches. Robert's Sale Price, each **3/11½**

CHINA, DELPH, &c.

CUPS AND SAUCERS—100 dozen White and Gold Cups & Saucers. Robert's Sale Price, per dozen ..... **6½D.**

TEA SETS—Splendid value in semi-Porcelain Tea Sets, White with dotted border, 21 pieces. Robert's Sale Price, per Set **9/11**

Also Breakfast Sets of same design. Robert's Sale Price, per Set **10/11**

TEA SETS—Beautiful China Tea Sets, White and Gold, gold edge, Black, 21 pieces. Robert's Sale Price, per Set..... **9/11**

TEA SETS—Splendid Range of Tea Sets, floral designs, at prices. Robert's Sale Price, per Set **12/11**

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CUPS AND SAUCERS—100 dozen White Fluted Cups & Saucers. Robert's Sale Price, per Cup and Saucer..... **4½D.**

JAM DISHES—Jam and Butter Dishes, fluted glass shades on small mitred Electro Plated Wicker fitted tray, and with R.P.N.S. cover complete. Robert's Sale Price, each **12/6**

SUGAR BOWLS—Small Sugar Bowls in shape of Old Irish Skillet, Black with White Border, finished off with Shamrock design. Robert's Sale Price, each. **2/-**

WEDGWOOD POTTERY.—Great assortment of the Rare Old Wedgwood Pottery, Blue with White designs, a few items of which we mention:—

Sugar Bowls and Cream Jugs. Robert's Sale Price, each, **3/11** from .....

Hot Water Jugs. Robert's Sale Price, each, from **10/6**

Pin Trays. Robert's Sale Price, each, from **1/11**

Teapots. Robert's Sale Price, each, from **7/6**

CORSET BARGAINS

CORSETS—To make room for our new season's goods, over 300 pairs of Navy Coutils, to suit medium and heavy types of figures. Usual Price per pair, 35/11 to 42/-. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **10/6**

SPORTS CORSETS — A large number of Sports Corsets, also needling length. Usual price, per pair, 10/11 and 15/11. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **3/11**

Dainty **CORSET** in Silk Broche, trimmed Val lace and Rosebud Taffeta Silk. Elastic Suspenders. Colours: Pink, Sky, White. Usual Price, 12/11. Robert's Sale Price, per pair..... **8/9**

Also in Sports Model, with Silk Elastic Waist. Robert's Sale Price, per pair..... **8/9**

TOWELS—All Pure Irish Linen Hemstitched Towels, with Pink and Blue borders. Splendid value. Usual price, 5/11. Robert's Sale Price, each ..... **4/6½** each.

TOWELS — Findlay's Honeycomb Towels, fringed ends, with Blue border, lovely quality. Usual price, each, 2/11½. Robert's Sale Price, each **1/9½**

SLAVE BANGLES — Finest quality Paste Slave Bangles assorted sizes, suitable for evening wear. Usual price each, 3/11½. Robert's Sale Price, each **2/9**

BANGLES — Slave Bangles. Great variety in bone Slave Bangles, in Red, Jade, Black, and White. Robert's Sale Price, each **1/6½**

WOOL SCARVES—Manufacturer's Lot of Wool Scarves, good soft quality in fancy checks, in colours of Jade, Saxe, White, and Brown. Usual price, each 5/11. Robert's Sale Price, each **2/11**

SCARVES—Clearing line Ice Wool Scarves, in fancy colours, all shades. Usual price, each, 7/11 and 8/11. Robert's Sale Price, each, 6/11 and **4/11**

BAY SHIRTS—Pure Wool Flannel Day Shirts, white grounds with neat stripes. Good whiter wear. Robert's Sale Price. **9/11** each .....

PYJAMAS—Men's Pyjamas, beautiful colourings, guaranteed fast colour and against shrinking; size 36 to 42 inches chest. Some of these are soiled. Robert's Sale Price, **9/11** pair .....

GLOVE BARGAINS

GLOVES—Ladies' Gauntlet Gloves, elastic wrist with fringe, in Grey and Tan, and all staple Dents' make. Robert's Sale Price, per pair, 3/11. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **5/6**

GLOVES—Ladies' Doeskin Gauntlet Gloves, in Tan and Grey, all sizes, mixed lot, some with elastic wrist, other strap and ruler. Usual price, per pair, 17/11. Robert's Price, per pair **12/6**

GLOVES—Ladies' Suede Gloves, 2-button, in Tan and Grey, Dent's make. Usual price, per pair, 4/11. Robert's Price, per pair **2/11**

Ladies' Woollen Gloves—Clearing line Fancy Gauntlets, in all colours. Lot 1., Robert's Price, per pair **1/9**

Usual price, per pair, 2/6 and 3/11.

Lot 2, Robert's Price, per pair **2/11**

Usual price, per pair, 2/11 to 3/6.

Ladies' Suede Wool-Lined Gloves, Brown and Grey Suede, 2-dome. Usual price, per pair, 10/11. Robert's Price, per pair.... **6/6**

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Gent's Nappa Gloves, wool-lined, beautiful quality. Usual price, per pair, 22/6. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **12/6**

Ladies' Fur-back Gloves, Nappa all shades. These are not cheaper qualities, but this lot are the best quality. Usual price, per pair, 15/6. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **11/6**

Ladies' Washable Chamois Gloves, 2-button, pique sewn. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **4/6**

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COLLARS, Etc.

MOTIF COLLAR—Ecru Crash Motif Collar, richly embroidered in mixed coloured silk, in all the leading shades. Usual price, each, 3/11. Robert's Sale Price, each **1/11½**

PETER-PAN COLLARS—Special Sale Bargain of Muslin Peter-Pan Collars and Sets, coloured border, in all shades. Usual price, 2/11½ and 3/11. Robert's Sale Price, 7/6 and **1/-**

PETER-PAN COLLARS Fancy Peter-Pan Collars, wonderful value, all shades. Robert's Sale Price, each ..... **6½D.**

LACES—Clearing line of Lace in Torchons, Crochet, and Filet, all suitable for Blouses. Usual price, per yard, 6½d., 8½d., and 1/-. Robert's Sale Price, per yard ..... **3½D.**

FRILLED LACE—Clearing line of Frilled Valenciennes Frilling in White, Paris, Ochre, Ecru, and Black. Usual price, per yard, 3/11. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **1/11½**

VEILS—Clearing Line of Veils, in all colours of Grey, Navy, and Black. Usual price, each, 5/11. Robert's Sale Price, each **2/11½**

NIGHTDRESS TOPS—Wonderful lot of Nightdress Tops, good quality. Robert's Sale Price of each **1/11½**

CAMISOLE TOPS — Wonderful value in imitation Silk Camisole Tops, very special. Slightly soiled. Usual price, each, 11/6. Robert's Sale Price, each ..... **8½D.**

CHILDREN'S DEPT.

COATS—Odd lot Boys' and Girls' Heather mixture Tailored Coats, suitable for children 2 to 4 years. Robert's Sale Price **12/11**

COATS—Girls' back to school Navy Nap regulation Coats. Robert's Sale Price **29/11**

COATS—Clearing line Girls' Winter Cloth Coats, assorted styles, Fur-trimmed, etc., in Cinnamon, Almond, Fawn, and Nigger. Sizes 32" up to 42" Greatly reduced.

Robert's pay special attention to Post Orders.

SLIPPERS—Special line Boys' Grey Felt Bedroom Slippers, very cosy, in Fawn/Grey, Brown/Fawn, Checks, Maxes, and Grey. Robert's Sale **3/11½**

WATERPROOF COATS.—Boys' and Girls', Black and Brown, Leatherette Waterproof Coats, for country and school wear. All sizes. Robert's Sale Price, from **15/11**

Soul-Westers, to match **4/6**

SOCKS.—Boys' All-Wool Cashmere and Ribbed Socks, in colours of Grey, Navy, Tan, Saxe, and White. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **1/0½**

JERSEYS.—Boys' All-Wool Cashmere Jerseys, Polo Collars, in Navy, Saxe, Brown, Grey, all one price. Robert's Sale Price, each **6/11**

SCARVES—Wool and Silk/Wool Shawls, fancy patterns, medium size. Special line. Robert's Sale Price, each, 10/11 and **6/11**

All-Wool and Silk/Wool Shawls, fancy borders, honeycomb and fancy patterns, large size. Robert's Sale Price, each, 25/11 and **19/11**

KNICKERS—Fleece-lined Knickers in Navy and Saxe, 18" to 22". Special Value. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **1/6½**

MEN'S SCARVES—Beautiful Camel Hair Scarves, warm brushed wool. Just the thing for Winter wear. Robert's Sale Price, each... **5/11**

SILK SCARVES—White Silk Scarves, in plain and fancy designs. Ideal for evening wear. Robert's Sale Price, each, 9/11 and **5/11**

GLOVES—Gauntlet Gloves, made in the best hardest year, ideal for motor cyclists. Robert's Sale Price, per pair **3/11**

TRENCH COATS—Men's Four-in-one Trench Coats, same as above, but with detachable all-wool fleece. Robert's Sale Price **49/11**

LOUNGE SUITS—Three-garment Lounge Suits, in Whipcords, Cheviots, and Serges. About 25 to offer. Robert's Sale Price, 6, 5, 5, and ..... **3 GNS.**

BREECHES—Best Bedford Cord Breeches, all wool; best cut and mostly hand-made. Robert's Sale Price, per pair, ... **27/11**

37/6 **37/6**

CUSHIONS—Black Silk Round shaped Cushions, nicely rucked, filled real down. Robert's Sale Price, each **37/6**

Black and Gold Silk Cushions, pillow shape, very attractive and comfortable. Robert's Price, each **19/11**

ANTIQUE LEATHER HAND-BAGS, with hand-painted designs on flap, lined Moire Silk, fitted with mirror, and kid-lined inner pocket. Can be procured in two sizes, in colours of Red, Brown, Grey, Green and Blue. Size 4½ ins. x 4½ inches. Robert's Sale Price, each **10/11**

Size, 6 ins. by 4½ ins. Robert's Sale Price, each **8/11**

WATERPROOF COAT—Charming Feather-weight Waterproof Coat, made in the quality Jap Silk, beautifully cut, wide arm holes, belt, and pockets. Stocked in colours of Dark Grey, Silver Grey, Mole, Navy. Usual price, 3 Gns. Robert's Sale Price ... **45/11**

OVERALLS AND MATERIALS

OVERALLS—Plain Nurse's Apron in good quality cloth, large size, 36, 38, and 38 inches. Guaranteed cloth. Robert's Sale Price **2/11**

OVERALLS—Ladies' Slip on Pinafore Overall, plain skirt, and floral bodice, full size. Very good value. Robert's Sale Price, each **1/11½**

KHAKI FLANNEL—1,000 yards of Khaki Government Flannel, all pure wool, for men's and boys' shirts; it cannot be equalled for wear, durability, and warmth, 30 inches wide. Usual price, per yard, 2/11½. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **2/11**

WINCEY—Wincey at flannelette price. Twill Shark Wincey, guaranteed unshrinkable, in Cream, Shorthorn, Fawn, and Nigger wear is cannot be surpassed. A special Sale Line. Pattern Card on application. Three widths, 31-inch. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **1/11½**

36 inches wide. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **2/3½**

39 inches wide. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **2/6½**

BALLOON FABRIC—Bleached Government Balloon Fabric, for all classes of ladies' lingerie and children's undergarments. A special Sale Offering, 50 inches wide. Usual price, per yard, 9/11. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **1/11½**

BALLOON FABRIC—Cream Balloon Fabric, 53 inches wide. The ideal fabric for sheets, pillow cases, bolster cases, furniture covers, casements, overalls, ladies' frocks, etc. Bleaches snow white after a few tubbings; a real Sale Bargain, only procurable at Roberts'. Usual Price, per yard, 2/5½. Robert's Sale Price, per yard **1/8½**

HORSE COVERS — Blue-Grey Covers in all pure wool, neatly bound with white, very warm, well shaped. Usual Price, each, 26/11. Robert's Sale Price, each **13/11**

WATERPROOF APRONS — Made from genuine Government Surplus Waterproof Sheeting, every housewife requires one. Robert's Sale Price, each **3/6½**

BRUSH AND COMB BAGS — Handy Brush and Comb Bags, oddments from remnants and short ends of Cretonnes. Usual Price, each, 1/6½. Robert's Sale Price, each ..... **6½D.**

"Gladette," the Non-tear and Non-inflammable fabric, superior to flannelette and Viyella, for boys' pyjamas and girls' nighties is cannot be surpassed; soft, warm, comfortable, and unshrinkable; in White, Pink, Lemon, Blue, Helio, and Fawn. Size 36 and 39 inches wide. Robert's Bargain Price, per yard **1/6**

Pattern Card on Application.

UNDERSLEEVES — Flannelette Underblankets, nice soft quality, cosy and warm, with Blue or Red Borders, each end neatly overstitched. Robert's Sale Price, each ... **3/6½**

MILITARY BLANKETS—All Wool White Military Blankets, Blue border, whipped ends. Single bed size. Worth 21/-. Robert's Sale Price, each **6/11**

LOVELY LINGERIE

FRINGE SLIPS — Good quality Sateen Princess Slips, deep gored flounce, all shades. Robert's Sale Price, each **5/11**

PRINCESS SLIPS—Nice quality Artificial Silk Princess Slips, deep shadow flounce, in colours of Pink, Saxe, Brown, Yellow and Navy. Wonderful value. Robert's Sale Price, each **7/11**

JUMPER SLIPS—Jap Silk Jumper Slips, short sleeves, elastic at waist, neck, and sleeves, edged with lace. Usual Price, each, 2/6. Robert's Half Hour Price, each **1/11**

FROCKS AND COSTUMES

WRAP COATS—Wonderful value in Wrap Coats, made in Velour Cloth, with Beaver Coney collar and cuffs, ends of coat also trimmed with same fur, coat half-lined. Stocked in colours of Fawn, Light Brown only. Usual Price, 59/11. Robert's Sale Price **49/11**

LEATHERETTE COATS—Waterproof Leatherette Coats, perfectly soft, semi-adjustable collar and storm straps on cuff, belt and deep pockets. Exceptional value. Usual Price, 29/11. Robert's Sale Price **21/11**

COSTUMES—Model Fur-trimmed Costumes, selling at half their original price. These Costumes are made in Velour Cloth, handsomely trimmed with fur, stocked in colours of Mole, Fawn, Light and Dark Brown, and Navy. Exceptional Bargain. Usual Price, 16 to 12 Gns. Robert's Sale Price ..... **5 TO 6 GNS.**

Post your orders to Robert's.

SKIRTS—Sports Skirts—A very smart model, in fine Tweed, with effective over checks on ground made with lap-over side and fastened down with buttons, finished off with belt of self material, stocked in colours of Light and Dark Brown, and Fawn. Very special value. Robert's Sale Price **9/11**

EVENING GOWNS—Very effective Model Evening Gowns, made in Brocbe satin, with shirt sleeves and smartly cut skirt, trimmed with Marabout. Stocked in colours of Shell, Rose, Sky, Blue, Jade, and Mauve. Robert's Sale Price **25/11**

MILLINERY

SPORTS HAT—Smart Sports Hat, in Chenille and Wool, in Heather mixture shades, suitable for wear with knitted costumes. Robert's Sale Price **10/6**

Usual Price, 12/11.

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Usual Price, 29/11.

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Usual Price, 37/11.

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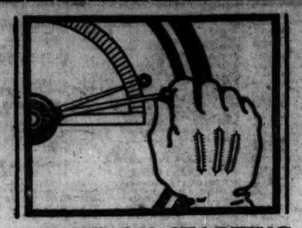

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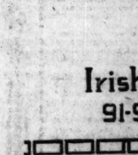

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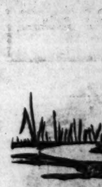

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LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

(FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Saturday.

Considering holiday influences have played their usual prominent part in the week's proceedings, interest in the market has been fairly sustained. The International Cotton Department of Agriculture has estimated the world's probable production this season as 25,300,000 bales, of which America will contribute about 14,000,000 bales. Last season's total supply has been figured at 21,354,000 bales, and on this basis the present indication would seem ultra-conservative, seeing that the American crop is some 3,000,000 bales larger and all outside growths likely to be augmented. Latest rumours credit leading overseas operators with transferring their attention from grain and stocks to cotton. Should this prove the case, more interesting markets will obtain and price movements likely to be the reverse of last year, when, apart from intermittent recovery spasms, an almost continuous decline was recorded. Futures on the week show 12 to 23 points increase.

MANCHESTER PROVISION TRADE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MANCHESTER, Saturday.

While most of the week has been taken up with the holidays, it could not be said that any great amount of activity has been displayed since the re-opening, but next week should certainly see trade resume more normal levels. As compared with a year ago the outlook appears to be much brighter, and much more optimistic views are expressed by both merchants and retailers. So far as the provision trade is concerned, buyers appear to have confined their operations for most commodities to making good depleted stocks, and there has been no evidence of any buying of a speculative character. Shipments of Scandinavian produce showed a marked decrease, butter being 3,329 casks, bacon about 2,000 bales, and eggs 1,000 cases less. Butter was in quiet request, and the rather sharp reduction in prices does not appear to have stimulated the demand to any great extent. Most descriptions of bacon rule steady, especially Irish, and for some descriptions prices showed an upward tendency, but buyers displayed a disposition to act very cautiously. Swedish advanced about 2s. per cwt., lower. Lard has been variable, and is weaker for both English refined and American. In cheese there is a very firm feeling. Lancashire and Cheshire is held for full rates on spot, and in the country farmers are reported to be asking higher prices. Colonial cheese shows an upward tendency, and high prices are predicted, though whether these will be realised remains to be seen. Larger supplies of Irish are in small compass and demand is improving.

In the dead meat market there is a very firm feeling for all classes of beef, mutton and lamb. Home-killed beef shows a firmer tone, and imported has advanced sharply, especially hindquarters, due, it is stated, to ships being greatly delayed owing to the stormy weather. The shortage is expected to be much more acute during the coming week. All classes of mutton and lamb are held for full rates.

At Salford weekly cattle market there were increased supplies of both cattle and sheep, but the numbers on offer were still much under those usually shown. The quality of the cattle, the bulk of which were Irish, was excellent, and good ripe beasts commanded fairly high figures. In country sheep and lambs unchanged conditions in this section, and a good clearance was effected all round.

In country a good clearance was effected of all British birds, and after Christmas the supply of turkeys was mainly of foreign origin. Best chickens and ducks were very scarce and dear.

TROPICAL PRODUCE MARKET SMALL.

FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.

The tropical produce market has more or less continued under the holiday feeling, for, though prices of most commodities remain about steady, a number of business passing has not been over-large. In the palm oil section spot and near arrival maintains its premium over forward positions, that of soft oils being round about 15s. 6d. per ton, with mediums and hards some 5s. per ton less. Lagos and soft regulars have hardened a little on the week, while there has been a fair inquiry for medium and hard regulars, but in their case values show no change. America has bought somewhat freely. Sales during the week are estimated at 2,000 tons, with Lagos quoted £45, Sherbro £43 17s. 6d., Benin £44, and Niger £43 15s. 9d. Sales in hard oils ex store have been reported at £44 5s. per ton in transit.

Palm kernels have been a much firmer market than was the case a week ago. Close at hand material continues firm, while sales have been made in November-January shipment at £23 10s. to £23 12s. 6d. per ton, according to terms. Hull consumers have bought a little material, paying £23 for January-February shipment, with more sellers than buyers at this price.

Copra has remained very steady, largely owing to shippers offering little material, and, though the demand from consumers has not been great, it has been sufficient to maintain values. Sun-dried West African has changed hands at £30 per ton. Marseilles has been rather a featureless market, and values are more or less nominal, with F.M. Straits December-January shipment, ruling at £29 16s. 3d.

Ground nuts have fluctuated somewhat, though prices, on the whole, show but little change. Decorticated Nigerians have shown slightly more activity, and the value of afloat material is roughly £27. The market in refined oils has been steady, without much business transpiring. Palm kernel oil firm at £45 crushed and £45 10s. per ton extracted forward naked ex mills Liverpool.

The leaf has risen from 4½d. to 10d., and I see nothing to prevent its rising to 1s. 6d. in the next generation.—Sir Leo Chiozza Money.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

The following is a return of the business done on the Dublin and Belfast Stock Exchanges last week in each department, ex-cept Consols and War Loans. The day on which the business was done is indicated by the initial letter in parenthesis, and dealings in odd lots are marked by an asterisk:—

DUBLIN.

National Loan—92 (T.), 92 (W.), 92 (F.).
National Loan Bonds—91¾ (T.), *91¾ (W.), 91¾ (F.).
Compensation Stock—90 (M.), 90 (W.).
Guaranteed Land—*56½ (M.).
2½ p.c. Land Act Stock—58½ (T.), 57½ (W.), 58½ (F.).
3 p.c. Land Act Stock—64½ (M.), 63 (F.).
Dublin Port 2½ p.c. Mort.—97 (W.).
Dublin Port 3 p.c. Mort.—100 (T.).
Dublin Stock—65½ (T.).
Bank of Ireland—*275c. (M.), *277c. (T.), *279c. 80c. (W.), 282c. (F.).
Hibernian Bank—7¼ (F.).
Munster and Leinster Bank—*6⅝ (M.), 6⅝ (T.), 6⅝ (W.), *6⅝ (F.).
National Bank—20½ (M.), 20¾ (T.), 20¾ (W.), 20½ (F.).
Provincial Bank—22½ (W.), *22½ (F.).
Cork and Muskerry—42½ (F.).
Dublin S.S. Pref.—50½ (T.).
Dublin S.S. Guar.—57a. (T.).
Dublin S.S. "B" Deb.—91 (M.).
Great Northern Ord.—56½ (M.), 56½ (T.), 56½ (W.).
Great Northern Pref.—57½ (T.), *57 (W.), *57½ (F.).
Great Northern Guar.—*62½ (F.).
Great Southern Ord.—35½ (M.), 35 (T.), 35½ (W.), 35½b. (F.).
Great Southern Pref.—50¼ (T.), *50¼ (W.).
Great Southern Guar.—*57 (M.), 56 (T.), 56 (W.), 56 (F.).
Great Northern Deb.—68½ (M.), 68½ (T.).

Alliance Gas—5½ (W.), 5½ (F.).
Alliance Gas Deb.—56 (T.).
Argott Dfd.—5½ (T.).
Arnott Deb.—91 (M.).
Bolands Pref.—5½ (F.).
Bleachers—69½ (M.), 69½ 3d. 7/9 (T.), 67/9 8/-, 11d. (W.), 68½ (F.).
Bradford Dyers—84/6 (T.).
British-American Tobacco—*109/10½ (T.).
British and Irish Steam Pref.—13/8 (W.).
British Controlled Oil Pref.—18/3 (M.), 17/9 (T.).
British Oilcakes Pref.—12/- (F.).
Buchanan Dewar Ord.—*69/9 (T.).
Burke Ord.—85½ (T.), *85½ (W.), *85/- (F.).
Burke Pref.—*80/- (W.).
Burke Def.—81½ 8d. (T.), *84½ (W.), 8 (F.).
Calicos—59/4½ (M.), 58/9 (T.), 59/3 (F.).
Coats—63/4½ *6d. (M.), 63/6 (T.), 63/3 (W.), 63/-, 63/3 (F.).
Dunlops—10/3 4½d. (M.), *10/1½ 4½d. (T.), 10/3 (W.), 10/3 (F.).
Dunlop "C" Pref.—*20/6 (T.).
Fine Spinners—60/6 (M.), 60/- (T.), 59/1½ (W.).
Findlater Pref.—11¼ (M.), 11/1½ (F.).
Findlater Def.—50/- (M.).
Moulding Pref.—*9½ (M.).
Guinness—49½ (M.), *49¾ ¼ (T.), 49½ *¼ (W.), 49½ ¼ (F.).
Guinness Pref.—114 (W.).
Helton Pref.—69/- (M.).
Imperial Tobacco, Canada—27/9 7d. (W.), 27/10½ (F.).
Imperial Tobacco—88/6 9/- (T.), 89/- (W.), 88/10½ (F.).
"Irish Times" 5½ p.c.—67/6 (M.), 67/6 (T.).
"Irish Times" 6½ p.c.—*17/6 (T.).
Jameson Deb.—*7 (W.).
Lever 7 p.c.—21/4½ 5d. (T.), 21/4½ (W.), 21/3 (F.).
Lever 8 p.c.—21/6 (M.), 21/3 (T.), 21/4½ (W.).
Lever 20 p.c. Pref.—Ord.—11/1½ (T.).
Lister Ord.—34/6 (W.).
Marconi—30/6b. 31/6 (T.), 30/10½ 1/- (W.), 31/- (F.).
Marconi, Canada—5/6 (T.).
Merchants' Warehousing—25/6 (W.), *25/6 (F.).
Millar (A.) Pref.—12/6 (M.).
Moore and Alexanders—7/6a. (F.).
Moore and Alexanders Pref.—50/-a. (F.).
Parent Tyre Ord.—20/- (F.).
Parent Tyre Def.—36/6 (M.), *36/6 (T.), 36/9 (F.).
Parent Tyre Pref.—14/9 (T.).
Power Prof.—18/9 (M.), 18/6 (T.), 18/6 (W.).
Radio Common—10½ (M.), 12½ (T.), 11½ (W.), 13½ (F.).
Radio Pref.—10½ *¼ (M.), 10½ ¼ ¼ (T.), 10½ (W.), 10¼ (F.).
Sewing Cotton—62/9 (M.), 64/3b. 64/9a. (T.), 65/3 (W.), 64/- (F.).
Shelts—89/6 3d. (W.), *92/6 1/4½ (F.).
Swedish Match Pref.—*10½ (T.), *10½ (W.).
Thom Pref.—50/- (F.).
Tyler—11½, 11/10½ (W.).
Wallace Bros. Pref.—55/b. 57/6a. (F.).
Yam Song Rubber—2/6 (M.).
c—Cash. b—Bid. a—Asked.

BELFAST.

Belfast Corporation 3½ p.c., 1929—91 (F.).
Belfast Harbour Commissioners 5½ p.c.—72½ (T.).
Belfast Water Commissioners 3½ p.c., 1935—78 (F.).
Midland Bank—8½ (F.).
Northern Bank A—5½ (M.), 5½ (T.), 5½ (W.), 5½ (F.).
Northern Bank B—2½ (M.).
Provincial Bank—22b. (F.).
Belfast and Co. Down Railway 4 p.c. Debs.—70½ (W.).
Belfast and Co. Down Railway Ord.—59a. (F.).
Great Northern Railway Pref.—57½ (M.).
Great Northern Railway Stock—55½ (T.).

Calico Printers Ord.—38/9 (M.).
Dundalk and Newry Steam Packet Co.—3½ (F.).
Dunlop Rubber—10/2 (T.).
Ewart's Flax Spinning Co.—14½ (F.).
Fine Cotton Spinners and Doublers Ord.—60/6 (M.), 60/4½ (T.).
Hughes Ord.—36/6 (M.).
Irish Distillery 8 p.c. Pref.—7 (T.), 7 (W.).
Irish Ropes Pref.—31/3 (M.).
Mitchell and Co. 5 p.c. Deb.—71 (F.).
Mc Connell, Ltd., Prof.—5 (W.).
Parent Tyre Co. Deferred—35/9 (M.).
Robinson and Cleaver 4 p.c. 1st Mort. Debs.—71 (M.).
York St. Flax Spinning Co.—29 (W.).
a.—Asked; b.—Bid.

BELFAST STOCK EXCHANGE.

Belfast Exchange closed the week with a small amount of business. War Loan was dealt in at 101⅛; Northern Bank A" was repeated 5½; Midland Bank dealt in at 8⅝; Belfast Corporation 3½ per cent. 1928 Stock improved ½ to 91; Belfast Water Commissioners 3½ per cent. 1935 brought 78; Dunville and Co. 4½; Mitchell and Co. 5 per cent. Deb., 7½; Dundalk and Newry Steam Packet Co., 3½.

PRICES OF RECENT ISSUES.

Agar Cross 5½ per cent. Debs. (£40 paid), 4-1 pm. Anglo-Spanish Construction (Pref. 500), 5 per cent. Debs. (£48 paid), 10½-½ dis. Armstrong (£20 paid), 1½-1½ dis. Australia 4½ per cent. 1940-60 (£79½ paid), 1½ dis. Ayrshire Electricity 4½ per cent. (£46 paid), ½ dis.-par. Belsen-Chardwar Tea Ord. 4/-5/-pm. Ib. Pref. 4/-6d. pm. Bentalls Deferred Ordinary, 4/- to 4/6. 1940-50 (£59 paid), 1-1½ pm. Brisbane Tramways Trust 5½ per cent. 1944-54 (fully-paid), 100½-½. Bukit Tunah Rubber (13/6 paid), 4/6-5/6. Candover Estates (£30 paid), 3½-2½ dis. Consett Iron 6 per cent. Debs., 104½-½ pm. Crittall Manufacturing 8 per cent. Pref. (fully-paid), 25/9-24/3. Galicia Nitrate 7 per cent. Deb. 99-100. German 7 per cent. (£60 paid), 5½-½ pm. Gillette Razor, 8/9-6/3. Greek 7 per cent. (£15 paid), 5½-5 pm. Hyde and Co. Ord. (1/-), 2/3-2/6. Do. Pref. (fully-paid), 9d.-1/3 pm. International Sleeping Car 6 per cent. Bonds (£40 paid), 1 dis.-par. Johnson and Phillips New (fully-paid), 2½-2½ dis.-par. Corporation 4½ per cent. (£23½ paid), par.-¼ pm. Lewis's 7 per cent. Debs. (£5 paid), par.-¼ pm. Liquid Air, 24/6-25/6. Mason (George J.) 7½ per cent. Pref., 21/3-21/6. Mid-European Corporation (£8 paid), 7-½. National Cotton Printing Works 8 per cent. 1st Debs (fully-paid), 100-1. Neuchatel Asphalt 6 per cent. Debs. (£60 paid), 47½ pm. Newfoundland 6 per cent. (£20 paid), 1-½ dis. Norfolk Kitsons 7½ per cent. Debs., 95½-4½. Port of London 5 per cent. 1920-40 (fully-paid), 96½ dis. Queensland 5 per cent. 1940-60 (fully-paid), 101½-101¾. Shares of £1 5½ per cent. Pref., 38/3d. Spillers Milling 8½ per cent. Pref. (fully-paid), 20/-par. South Africa 5 per cent. (£60 paid), 1940-50, 2½-½ pm. Southern Railway Pref. (£24½ paid), 91-1 pm. Stavelot Limited 6 per cent. Debs., 50-50½. Do. Def., 3/9-4/3. Sudan 4 per cent. (£21 paid), 1-2 pm. Tinaha (S.W.) Tin (5/- paid), 4/4½-7½d. pm. Victoria 4½ per cent. Pref. (fully-paid), 4-½ dis. Walker (Peter) 8 per cent. Pref. 20/-21/-.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

FURTHER AMOUNT REPAID TO THE BANK.

Conditions remained very comfortable in Lombard street on Saturday, with money offering over the week-end at 2½ down to 1½ p.c. Old day-to-day loans and weekly fixtures were renewed at 2½ p.c. A further moderate amount was repaid to the Bank. Discount business was of a negligible quantity. Odd rates were steady, fine three and four months' bills being quoted at 3½ p.c., and second-hand Treasuries at 3½ p.c. sellers. Sales of supplementary Treasury bills will be resumed to-day, the rate being unchanged at 3½ p.c.

Bank Rate Discount (changed July 5, 1923), 4%

60 days (fine)	3⅝	3⅝%	
3 months		3⅝%	Trade	4	4⅛%
4 months	3⅝	3⅝%	"	4½	4⅝%
6 months		3⅝%	"	5½	5%

Loans to brokers day-to-day 2½
" for a week 2¾%
Deposit allowance: Banks at call 1½%
" Discount houses, at call 2%
" at notice 2½%

Silver rose ¼d. on Indian and Chinese buying, coupled with smaller offerings, bars being quoted at 32d. per oz. for spot and 32⅛d. for forward delivery.

The Foreign Exchange market was quiet, with movements on a small scale. Sterling recovered to 4.75½ dollars, and Italian lire rallied further to 111.85, but French and Belgian francs closed dull, after a firm opening. Other Continental currencies were without material change. In the South American group Buenos Ayres strengthened further to 46½-46¾d., while Montevideo was easier at 50¼d., and also Rio at 55-55⅛. Rupees were steady at 1s. 6⅞d., but Japanese yen further gave way to 1s. 7½d.-1s. 7¾d. The following are closing quotations:—

	January 3.		January 2.		Normal Rate.
	Dec.	Jan.	Highest.	Lowest.	
Alexandria	97⅝		97⅝	97½	—
Amsterdam	11.71½	11.71⅝	11.71⅝	11.71½	12.10
B. Ayres a.	46⅛	46⅜	46	45⅞	47.58
Barcelona	33.90	33.95	33.90	33.90	25.22
Berlin	19.94	19.96	19.94	19.96	20.40
Bombay	1 6/32	1 6/32	1 6/32	1 6/32	2/0
Brussels	94.85	94.95	94.80	94.85	25.22½
Calcutta	1 6/32	1 6/32	1 6/32	1 6/32	2/0
Christiania	31.33	31.38	31.35	31.40	18.15
Copenhagen	26.87	26.93	26.84	26.87	18.15
Genoa	157½	157¾	157	157¾	—
Helsingf's	169¾	169¾	169¾	169¾	25.22½
Japan	1/61	1/63	1/60	1/63	25.22½
Java	236	236	236	236	—
Hong Kong	2/3½	2/4¼	2/3½	2/4¼	—
Madrid	342.000	348.000	342.000	348.000	—
Italy	111.80	111.90	112.20	112.30	25.22½
Japan	2/6	2/6	2/6	2/5½	—
Madrid	33.93	33.95	33.94	33.96	25.22½
Mexico	24¾	25⅛	24⅞	25⅛	24½3
Montreal	4.76¼	4.76¾	4.76¾	4.76¾	4.86
Montevideo	50	50⅛	50⅛	50⅝	51¼
New York	4.74⅛	4.75⅛	4.74⅞	4.75⅛	4.86
Paris	87.36	87.57	87.15	87.45	25.29
Poland	24.55	24.75	24.55	24.75	25.22½
Rio de Janeiro	5/8	5/8	5/8	5/8	10/1
Roumania	3.24	3.28	3.22	3.30	—
Shanghai	3/1⅞	3/2⅛	3/1⅞	3/2	—
Singapore	2/4⅛		2/4⅛		2/4⅛
Stockholm	17.62	17.64	17.61	17.63	18.15
Switzerland	24.42	24.46	24.35	24.36	25.22
Valparaiso	40.70		40.70		19.33
Vienna	336.000	338.000	336.000	339.000	—
Yokohama	1/7⅛	1/7⅝	1/7⅛	1/7⅝	4.5

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

BOULDER PERSEVERANCE.—Dividend of 5d. per share, free of tax, on the Priority shares for the thirteen months, and an interim dividend of 1d. per share in respect of the current year.

INDUSTRIAL TEA AND RUBBER TRUST.—Interim dividend of 7½ per cent., less tax.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.—Dividend of 10 per cent., leaving yen 336,986 carried forward.

REAL ESTATE OF SOUTH AFRICA.—Interim dividend of 5 per cent., less tax.

S. SMITH AND SONS (Motor Accessories).—The report for the year to August 2, based upon the reorganisation of capital, shows a net profit, after charging debenture interest and capital expenses, of £234,964, which the directors recommend be carried forward.

SOUTH KELLOGURIE CONSOLIDATED.—Interim dividend of 1/- per share.

COPPER SHARES BUOYANT.

Copper Shares are enjoying almost a boom-let on the London Stock Exchange. Rio Tintos jumped 1½ to 43¾ on Friday, and numerous other shares scored substantial gains. The recent buoyancy of the group is based on growing confidence that 1925 will be a "banner year" for copper producers. Copper is the only leading non-ferrous metal still standing below its immediate pre-war average. In 1913 it averaged £68 5s. 9d. per ton. A month ago it stood at £64 6s. 3d., while it has since risen to £67 6s. 3d. The following table gives comparative prices of representative Copper Shares for the past month and year:—

	Dec. 1st	Dec. 2nd	Jan. Highest.	Lowest.	1924.
Arizona (5/-)	1⅛	1⅛			1⅛
Bwana (5/-)	5⅛	6⅛	5/8	4/-	1/-
Mason and Barry	2½	2½	2½	1½	—
Messina (5/-)	3/6	7/3	6/3	3/-	—
Namaqua (£3)	1½	2	1½	1	—
Rio Tinto (£5)	36	43¼	43¾	28½	—
South American (2/-)	11/-	12/3	15/7½	9/-	—
Tanganyika	2/6	2/9	2/9	2/-	—
Tharsis	3¼	4¾	4¾	3¼	—
Zambesia	20/-	23/-	23/6	8/9	—

The closing days of 1924 have witnessed the soundest situation in non-ferrous metals that has been experienced at any time during the last ten years." This is the opinion of Messrs. Lewis Lazarus and Sons, expressed in their annual review of the metal markets. Not only has the Dawes Plan brought about a greater feeling of confidence in Europe, they add, but in the United States of America the prosperity which is ruling there is acting as a new stimulus to trade, especially in industries requiring the use of non-ferrous metals.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORTS.

SATURDAY.

Wind and Weather.—W. to W.S.W., fresh breeze; fine

Foreign Arrivals.—Ss. Lise, of Oslo, 3,618 tons registered, Captain Arnesen, from San Pedro, via Portishead, with a cargo of tenzine, discharging at Alexandra Wharf, Alexandra Basin; ss. Dunaff Head, of Belfast, 3,378 tons register, Captain Muir, from St. John (N.B.), with a general cargo, discharging at Shelter Sheds, Alexandra Basin.

Coastwise Arrivals.—Ss. Slieve Bawn, ss. Snowdon, from Holyhead, with goods; ss. Lady Longford, from Liverpool, with goods; ss. Olive, ss. Brier, from Heysham, with goods; ss. Briarfield, from Garston, with coals; ss. Ashworth, from sea, light.

Coastwise Departures.—Ss. South Stack, ss. Slieve Bawn, for Holyhead, with goods; ss. Lady Cloe, for Liverpool, with goods; ss. Lady Longford, for Liverpool, with goods; ss. Lady Longford, for Liverpool and Birkenhead, with live stock and goods; ss. Harlaw Plain, for Swansea, with coals; ss. Wearsider, for Newcastle, with old rails; ss. Glenageary, for Partington, light.

SUNDAY.

Wind and Weather.—W. to W.S.W. wind, fresh breeze; overcast and showery.

Foreign Arrivals.—Ss. Grania, of Dublin, 396 tons register, Captain Hagan, from Boulogne and Havre, with a general cargo, discharging at North Wall; ss. Theano, of Rotterdam, 2649 tons register, Captain Gunsteren, from Rotterdam, with a general cargo, discharging at Shelter Sheds, North Wall Extension.

Coastwise Arrivals.—Ss. Lady Limerick, from Liverpool, with goods; ss. Lady Emerald, from London, with goods; ss. Tiger, from Glasgow, with goods; ss. Sarchan, from Birkenhead, with coals; ss. St. Mirren, ss. Glen Helen, ss. Priscilla, ss. Aquilla, from Garston, with coals; ss. R. Hayward, ss. St. Mungo, from Preston, with coals; ss. Glencullen, from Partington, with coals; ss. Ashworth, from West Bank, with coals; ss. Grove, from Glasgow, with coals; ss. Nugget, from Ayr, with coals; ss. Cleveland, from Manchester, with empty barrels; ss. Carrawdore, from Liverpool, with empty barrels; ss. Enid, from Port Dinorwic, with coals; ss. Oakville, from Birkenhead, with flour.

Foreign Departure.—Ss. Lise, of Oslo, 3,618 tons register, Captain Arnesen, for Bermuda, in ballast.

Coastwise Departures.—Ss. Briarfield, for Fleetwood, light; ss. Cairngorm, for Glasgow, light; ss. Canso, for Penarth, light.

LLOYD'S MAIL NEWS.

ANUTA MARU, for Yokohama, left Gravesend 3.

ATOLL, from Leghorn, arrived Plymouth 3rd.

BAKANA, for England, left Fernando 30.

BARINA, from Brisbane for London, arrived Suez 2.

BERGON, from St. John, N.B., arrived Gravesend 3.

BRAEMORE, from Barcelona, left Sunday Leas 30.

CITY OF HONG KONG, from Calcutta, arrived Colombo 2.

CHAMA, from London, arrived Sierra Leone 1.

CITY OF, from Liverpool for Auckland, arr. Colon 2.

CITY OF RHODES, for Liverpool, left Cape 2.

CARNARVONSHIRE, for London, left Hongkong 2.

CITY OF, from Bristol for Auckland, arr. Colon 2.

CARDIGANSHIRE, for Vancouver, left Gravesend 3.

DEVANHA, from Bombay for London, arrived Suez 2.

DAVISIAN, for Boston, left Liverpool 3.

DUNSTER, for Boston, left Liverpool 3.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE, for Rangoon, left Messr 3.

HARUNA MARU, from London, arrived Marseilles 1.

HOLLAND, from Liverpool for Boston, left Crosshaven 2.

LOCHGILA, from Liverpool, arrived Calicut 2.

LANCASTRIAN CASTLE, from Rio de Janeiro, arrived Gravesend 3.

MAHSUDA, for Auckland, left Cardiff 1.

MORVADA, for Karachi, left Gravesend 3.

MOLDAVIA, from Bombay, arrived Suez 2.

MARTABAN, Rangoon for Hamburg called Southampton 3.

MATADOR, from Tocopa, arrived Gravesend 3.

MARGUTE MARU, from Yokohama, arr. Gravesend 3.

MOSKVA, from Bombay for India, left Suez 2.

MOSKA, London for Japan, arrived Singapore 3.

MYRINA, from Boston, arrived Marseilles 1.

NUBIAN, from Boston, arrived Manchester 3.

NUBULLA, from Boston for Mediterranean, left Suez 2.

NARENDA, London for Bombay, arrived Port Said 3.

NORLEY, from Philadelphia, arrived Gravesend 3.

NOWSHERA, from Colombo, arrived Suez 2.

ORMONDE, from Brisbane, left Gravesend 3.

PERTH, London for Queensland, arrived Fremantle 3.

TREVARNO LASS, London for Brisbane, arrived Pir 3.

Cunard Movements.

AQUITANIA left New York at noon last Saturday for Cherbourg and Southampton.

FRANCONIA left Liverpool last Saturday afternoon for New York via Queenstown.

White Star Movements.

The Cedric, from New York, arrived at Queenstown at 5.50 a.m. yesterday, landed passengers and mails, and proceeded to Liverpool at 8.30 a.m.

The Doric arrived at 12 noon, embarked passengers and mails, and proceeded to New York at 1.40 p.m.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

DISTILLERS RUMOURS.

Distillers Ordinary shares are now changing hands at record prices since the share-splitting scheme of last July. Plenty of rumours are in circulation as to a "deal" having been effected with respect to yeast, and affecting oth r matters, but the only official intimation is that the official consideration of interim dividend is deferred until January 16. Last year 8s., tax free, was paid on the old £10 shares, and declared a week earlier. It is suggested that the occasion of declaration of the dividend should be taken advantage of to deal with the rumours now current.

LOW TEMPERATURE CARBONISATION.

The directors recently announced that negotiations were proceeding with a strong financial group, with the object of providing necessary capital to carry out developments on a large scale in Yorkshire, Notts, Stafford, and elsewhere. At last week's meeting, adjourned until an early date in 1925, the chairman stated that important negotiations are about to be concluded, and that any premature announcement would be unwise. The plant at Barnsley, he stated, had been doubled in size, and output more than doubled. To extend this plant a subsidiary had been formed, called Yorkshire Coal Products (Ltd.), which will acquire the whole of the Yorkshire rights, and take over the Barnsley works.

OIL CONSUMPTION OVERTAKES PRODUCTION.

At the turn of the year conditions in the oil industry certainly seem better than a year ago. The production of crude, while, perhaps, still too large for immediate world requirements, is in most weeks lower than in the later months of 1923, when the effect of the huge production from the new Los Angeles fields at California was still severely felt. It is not unusual for crude prices to be put up in the early months of the year, but on this occasion may have a sounder basis than a year ago, when a wave of optimism was caused which stimulated the search for new supplies in America, to an extent altogether out of proportion to demand (writes the *Investors' Chronicle*). The American technical press, and also leaders of the oil industry, have been reminding producers of these past happenings during the last month or so, when it has seemed as if production had become less excessive; and probably in the coming year the multitude small producers will find financial conditions conducive to caution. The last report of the U.S. Bureau of Mines, that for October, shows that for that month consumption overtook production to a slight extent; and this, with the improvements of the two preceding months, is regarded as the first real betterment in the American industry conditions since 1921. It is believed that the reduction in stocks that was indicated in October will go further, but there are new production possibilities in Oklahoma and Texas on the horizon, so that one must end on a note of caution.

IMPORTANT DYE DISCOVERY.

A discovery, which is described as the most valuable in the field of dyestuffs research since pre-war days, and which is of international importance to the textile and dyeing industries, is described in detail in the "Chemical Age." This is the production on a commercial scale of the first soluble anthraquinone vat dyestuff, and the consequent solution of one of the most urgent and important of the outstanding problems in the chemistry of dyestuffs. The processes have been worked out in the laboratories of the Scottish Dyes, Ltd., and are to be applied on a large scale to their well-known "Caledon" colours. The commercial effects of this discovery promise to be far-reaching. In the new soluble form, anthraquinone vat dyestuffs can be applied direct to fabrics without the addition of chemical "assistants." The solution is said to be better than with the vat mehtod of dyeing, and the development process is simple and straightforward. They can, consequently, be dyed equally well on cotton and wool. The application to wool, especially, will make possible a great increase in the fastness of dyed woollen goods, and similar advantages apply in the dyeing of silk, viscose silk, and linen.

A DUBLIN SOAP REGISTRATION.

Shaw and Co., Ltd., was registered on December 23rd as a private company in Dublin by the secretary of John Barrington and Sons, Ltd., 202 Parnell street, Dublin. The capital is £2,000 in £1 shares. The objects are to carry on the business of soapmakers, perfumers, seed crushers, varnish makers, etc.

THE OUTLOOK.

The offer of Conversion 3½ per cent. stock by tender at a minimum has temporarily disturbed the gilt-edged market, but we think it will be recognised on reflection as a wise and necessary step. It is a bid for support in the task of redeeming short-dated indebtedness, to which the Government has addressed itself, and it is far more direct and honest finance than borrowing on Ways and Means advances, which lead to inflation. It is at last possible to envisage clearly the manner in which the various issues of War Bonds maturing up to 1929 will be repaid when their holders elect to take cash instead of new interest securities, and also how the unconverted balance of the great War Loan itself will be financed. The intention ultimately to consolidate the National Debt on a 3½ per cent. basis becomes clearer than ever. A more plentiful supply of Home Railway trustee stocks is indicated by the proposed increase in the capital of the London Midland and Scottish, but we (*Sunday Times*) do not expect such securities to be obtainable much cheaper in view of their high quality. The Ordinary stocks are "full of dividend," and but for labour uncertainty would be standing a good deal higher. Argentine Rails are rapidly making good the ground that has been lost since the revelation in the reports of the extent to which profits were reduced by losses on exchange. With the peso returning to parity, it is not surprising that a more confident view is taken of dividend prospects despite the expectation of smaller crops.

LIVERPOOL MEAT IMPORTS.

Right steamers, including four from Australasia, landed cattle and fresh meat at Liverpool during the past week, from overseas ports, as compared with their freights were as follows:—The Ceramic, from Australia, with 2,850 sheep and lamb carcases; the Port Adelaide, from Australia, with 21,460 sheep and lamb carcases; the Argyllshire, from Australia, with 21,098 sheep and lamb carcases, and 2,681 quarters of beef; the Doric, from New York, with 2,040 carcases and 350 boxes of pork and 1,342 boxes of meat; the Demerara, from Buenos Ayres, with 16,374 sheep and lamb carcases, and 1,500 beef and 3,239 quarters of beef; the Arundo, from New York, with 702 boxes of pork and 999 packages of meat; the Kaikoura, from New Zealand, with 8,455 sheep and lamb carcases and 1,010 quarters of beef; the Welshman, from Portland Me., with 849 cattle, 250 carcases of pork, 6,844 boxes of meat and 480 quarters of beef—making a total of 849 cattle, 67,135 sheep and lamb carcases, 2,990 carcases, 1,055 boxes of pork and 9,846 boxes, etc., of meat, and 39,182 quarters of beef.

IRISH FAIRS.

ENNIS (CO. CLARE)—Average sized cattle fair, composed principally of first and second class short-horn stores, in moderate condition. Small attendance of buyers and sellers; trade ruled slow, and prices ling unsold. The fat stock on offer met a good demand, which was chiefly local. Hitch cows sold at somewhat lower prices. Store Cattle, over 4 and not exceeding 12 months, 1st class, £6 10/- to £8 5/-, average £7; 2nd class, £4 10/- to £6 5/-, average £5; one year old and under two years, 1st class, £12 to £14 10/-, average £13, live-weight average £18, live-weight average 4½-5c.; 2nd class, average £9 10/-, live-weight average 37½-; two years old and under three years, 1st class, £17 to £19, average £18, live-weight average 4½-5c.; 2nd class, £14 to £16 10/-, average £14 10/-, live-weight average 3¾-; three years old and over, 1st class, £25 to £28, average £21 10/-, live-weight average, 40/-; 2nd class, £16 to £19, average £17, live-weight average 3¾-. Fat cattle, three years old and over and class, £17 10/- to £21 10/-, average £19 10/-, live-weight average 4¾-. Cows and bulls, 2nd class, £10 to £13, average £14, live-weight average 3¾-. Sorningers (cows and heifers), 2nd class, £17 to £23 10/-, average £20. Milch cows (down calved), 1st class, £32 10/- to £38, average £35, 2nd class, £16 to £21, average £16 10/-.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

The following is the order of Advertisements in to-day's *Irish Times*:—

Births, Marriages and Deaths	First Page.	Horses, etc.	Fifth Page.
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Railways.		Amusements	
Cycles and Motor Cars.		Sermons.	
Lost and Found.	

THE HOLY YEAR.

OBSERVANCES IN IRELAND.

In many Roman Catholic Churches in Ireland yesterday the Jubilee of the Holy Year, proclaimed by the Pope on Christmas Eve, was the subject of episcopal letters read by the clergy to the congregations.

The Most Rev. Dr. Byrne, Archbishop of Dublin, in his pastoral letter, explained the object of the world-wide celebrations, and set forth religious exercises by which persons unable to make the pilgrimage to Rome may participate in the benefits of the Jubilee. The special objects of supplication during the Jubilee were peace among the nations, the unity of Christendom, and the safeguarding of the Holy Land from desecration.

The Most Rev. Dr. Cohalan, Bishop of Cork, urging upon the people of his diocese earnest participation in the devotions of the Holy Year, declared that this period was to be regarded as "a time of extraordinary spiritual revival."

THE HOLY DOOR.

OPENING OF THE CHURCH'S TREASURY.

The following is the text of the Pastoral Letter from the Most Rev. Dr. Byrne, Archbishop of Dublin, read in the churches of the Archdiocese yesterday:—

"On Christmas Eve Our Holy Father the Pope, with all the solemnity of time-honoured ceremonial, opened in person the Holy Door of the Basilica of St. Peter's in Rome, and initiated the Holy Year of Jubilee. In the Church's symbolism the opening of the Holy Door, the *Porta Santa* which had remained walled up for twenty-five years, aptly figures the throwing open of the Church's treasure of Indulgences to all those who visit the Eternal City during the year of Jubilee and perform certain acts of devotion at the tombs of the Apostles and other Holy Shrines.

"In the ancient Covenant it was enjoined on God's people by the law of Moses to make every fiftieth year a sabbatical year or year of Jubilee. We read in Leviticus chapter xxv., verse 10: 'Thou shalt sanctify the fiftieth year and shalt proclaim remission to all the inhabitants of thy land: for it is the Year of Jubilee. Every man shall return to his possession and every one shall go back to his former family. You shall not sow nor reap the things that grow in the fields . . . neither shall you gather the first fruits of the vines because of the sanctification of the Jubilee.'

"In the Papal Bull in which the Supreme Pontiff proclaims the Holy Year to the Catholic world the Holy Father says: 'It is not possible to doubt that it was by Divine inspiration that the Church interposed the year of expiation at fixed intervals between the fleeting years, for, as with beneficent purpose, She has taken over the sacred usages from the Old Dispensation with a fuller symbolism and productivity, so has She introduced this year into Christian usage on the example of the sabbatical year. For did not the immense benefits which that Divine institution of the sabbatical year conferred on the Hebrews every fiftieth year foreshadow and symbolise the graces We set forth for attainment by the faithful during the Holy Year? The principle is the same in each, but the benefits of one surpass those of the other as the spiritual surpasses the earthly.

"'In the sabbatical year the Hebrews regained the property which had been transferred to others and were restored to all their possessions; slaves recovered their freedom and regained the domestic hearth; debtors were released from their burden. All this takes place in our midst with still greater abundance in the atonement year. For those who during the great Jubilee 'fulfil in penitential spirit the salutary prescriptions of the Apostolic See shall retrieve and recover in full the store of merits and gifts which they have lost by sin; are freed from the galling yoke of Satan, win back the liberty "by which Christ made us free"; in fine are completely discharged from all the penalties which they should pay for their faults and vices through the accumulated merits of Christ Jesus, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the Saints. Yet not for this alone—to purify individual souls and heal their wounds—is the great Jubilee continued throughout the year. In this acceptable time the visits paid to holy shrines, the exercises of piety multiplied in public and in private, the reinforcement of abundant heavenly graces will be of extreme importance in lifting all minds to higher grades of sanctity and in restoring the fabric of society. For as the lawless licence of the individual results in the common detriment, so the return of the individual to good works and eager devotion to higher sanctity of life must necessarily purify society itself and unite it more intimately with Christ Jesus.'

"For these reasons of such high import and spiritual significance the Holy Father has proclaimed the Jubilee and has invited the faithful, who are not impeded, to travel to Rome and fulfil the necessary conditions for gaining the Jubilee Indulgence. Multitudes from every Christian land will respond to the Supreme Pontiff's call to renew their faith at the foot of Peter's throne and breathe the spirit of the Apostles and Martyrs in the city consecrated with their blood.

"The conditions prescribed by the Holy Father for making the Jubilee in the Eternal City are the following:—

I. Due expiation of sin;
II. Worthy reception of Holy Communion.
III. Visits to each of the four great Basilicas of Rome—namely, those of St. Peter, St. Paul, St. John Lateran, and St. Mary Major, for twenty days for residents in Rome and for ten days for those who come from afar.
IV. Prayers for the Intentions of the Holy Father.

"There are, as is evident, certain classes of people who will find it impossible to undertake the journey to Rome in order to visit the four Basilicas. To such persons the Holy Father in his Apostolic Letter *Apostolico numeri* of July 30th, 1924, has extended the benefits of the Jubilee and even concedes to them the privilege of gaining the Jubilee Indulgence twice during the Holy Year, while exempting them from the obligation of making the pilgrimage to Rome.

"This privilege is granted to:—

I. Persons over seventy years of age.
II. Those who, earning their living by their daily toil, cannot be absent from their work for a sufficient time to enable them to make the journey to Rome;
III. Persons who are prevented by illness or weak health from undertaking the journey to Rome;
IV. Those detained in prison.
V. Nuns and Sisters of Religious Congregations with their novices, postulants and boarders. (Day pupils are not included in this privileged class.)
VI. Pious women living in community, whose institutes are approved by ecclesiastical authority, also their novices, postulants, and boarders.
VII. Girls and women living in institutes for females, even if they are not under the care of nuns.
VIII. Those who are constantly employed in attendance on the sick in hospitals, whether they receive a salary or give their services gratuitously.

"As the Apostolic Letter lays down that the Ordinary is to select the works of piety to be substituted for the visitation of the four Roman Basilicas, the conditions to be complied with by those privileged to make the Jubilee in this diocese are the following:—

CONDITIONS.

I. True repentance for sin with Sacramental Confession;
II. Worthy reception of Holy Communion.
III. Prayers for the general intentions of the Holy Father, and also for the particular intentions he has indicated as the special objects of supplication during the Jubilee, namely:
(a) Abiding peace among the nations of the world;
(b) The return to the Church of all her separated children;
(c) The safeguarding of the Holy Land from desecration by the enemies of Christendom;
IV. Visits to churches.

"In Rome eighty visits to the Basilicas are prescribed for residents and forty for pilgrims. In this diocese a similar work of piety, the visitation of churches, is selected by the diocesan authority.

(a) For those residing in parishes within the present city boundary the churches to be visited are: The Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough street; St. Andrew's, Westland row; St. Joseph's, Berkeley street.

"A visit is to be made to each of these churches on ten separate days, not necessarily successive.

(b) Those residing in parishes outside the present city boundary will make the thirty visits in their own parish church or in any chapel-of-ease in their own parish.

"In parishes outside the city not more than three visits are to be made on the same day.

"Parish Priests will be able to guide their parishioners in case of any doubt arising as to the church or chapel in which the visits are to be made.

(c) All persons above-mentioned, who are privileged to gain the Jubilee during the present year and are resident in convents or institutions of whatsoever kind in this diocese, may make the thirty visits in the chapel of their convent or institution, not, however, making more than three visits in one day.

FACULTIES.

"All confessors of the diocese are empowered to hear Jubilee confessions, and are granted faculties:—

(a) to absolve in such confessions from all sins and censures reserved to the Holy See, exception those reserved *specialissimo modo*, and excepting also formal and external heresy, provided the confessor 'imposes a salutary penance and other works necessary according to canonical regulations and the laws of correct procedure';
(b) to absolve from all diocesan reserved cases.

"The special faculties granted to confessors of nuns will be found in the Apostolic Letter of July 30th in the *Acta Apostolicae Sedis* or *Irish Ecclesiastical Record*, 1924, p. 542.

"For those who are unable to make the visits to the churches or chapels, confessors are hereby authorised to commute this work to other works of religion, devotion, and charity.

"The Sacred Penitentiary admonishes confessors that these extensive faculties may validly be employed only for the Jubilee confession of those persons, already mentioned, who are privileged to gain the Jubilee Indulgence without travelling to Rome.

INDULGENCES.

"All plenary and partial indulgences *for the living* are suspended during the Holy Year, with the exception of the following:—

I. Indulgences to be gained at the hour of death;
II. Indulgences attached to the Angelus;
III. Indulgences of the Forty Hours' Adoration;
IV. Indulgences granted to those who accompany the Blessed Sacrament when it is carried solemnly to the sick;
V. Indulgence of the Portiuncula;
VI. Indulgence which Cardinals, Archbishops, and Bishops grant at Pontifical Masses or in similar circumstances.

"Indulgences applicable to the *Souls in Purgatory* may be gained as usual.

"It is not granted to all to enjoy the great privilege of gaining the Jubilee Indulgence during the present year. To participate in the spirit of the Holy Year is, however, within the reach of every Catholic. The final object of the Jubilee is the renewal in the soul of the Christian life. Repentance for sin, expiation of past offences, closer union with God, and more perfect imitation of Jesus Christ are the elements that give life and reality to the exercises of the Jubilee. The springs of grace are flowing. The time is acceptable. The warning and the glorious promise of the Apostle are addressed to all: 'The wages of sin is death. But the grace of God is life everlasting in Christ Jesus' . . . 'Now being made free from sin and become servants to God you have your fruit unto sanctification and in the end life everlasting' (Rom. vi. 22, 23)."

A TIME OF REVIVAL.

In the course of the Pastoral Letter addressed by the Most Rev. Dr. Cohalan, Bishop of Cork, to his flock, he says:—"The Church dispenses her spiritual treasure liberally at all times; but a Greater Jubilee is a time of extraordinary spiritual revival.

"This pilgrimage to Rome will not be a pleasure trip. Many a pilgrim to Rome will make his journey an occasion of prayer, of meditation, of self-examination. Many a pilgrim will make in Rome a general examination and general confession of his whole life. To many the visit to Rome will be the turning point in their lives. We speak and think of the Jubilee Indulgence, of the great plenary indulgence. But what might be called the evangelical exercises of the Jubilee will be, perhaps, of greater importance to many. For the many sinners who will seek reconciliation with God, for all who will try to gain the Indulgence, the examination of conscience, the contrition for sin, and the purpose of amendment, prior to confession, and the grace of the sacrament of Penance, will exercise a wonderful affect on their lives.

"Then, praying for the intentions of the Pope raises one out of oneself, above one's own personal wants and interests, to consider the interests of Jesus Christ; in the union of Christians under His Vicar; in Christian peace in the world, in the proper custody of the Holy Places hallowed by His sacred presence, in life and at His death, while He was still on earth.

"Let us all pray for the special intentions of the Jubilee. Let us pray for the peace of Christ in the world; let us pray for Christian unity under the Vicar of Christ; let us pray for the Pope's intention regarding the Holy Places in Palestine. Let us pray for ourselves and for Christian peace in our own country. May the Holy Year be to the Church, to the world, to our own country in particular, a year of grace and peace, the beginning of an era of ecclesiastical unity and of Christian peace in the world."

CITY COMMISSIONERS.

DUBLIN MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

A special meeting of the Dublin City Commissioners was held last Saturday. Mr. Seumas Murphy presided, and the other Commissioners present were Dr. O'Dwyer and Mr. P. J. Hernon.

Messrs. M. J. Walsh (Assistant Town Clerk) and Rice (Law Agent) were present.

The Rev. William Lockhart, P.P., St. Kevin's, and the Rev. John Tobias, B.D., were appointed to serve on the South-East Divisional School Attendance Committee, in succession to Senator Thomas Farren and ex-Councillor Lorcan O'Toole.

Messrs. John Scully, Dolphin's Barn street, and John Leech, solicitor, Heytesbury street, were appointed on the South-West Divisional School Attendance Committee, in the room of ex-Alderman Thomas Lawlor and ex-Councillor John Farren.

The Commissioners postponed the report of the Committee of the Whole House, referring the Commissioners' staff of the Streets Committee for a special report. The remainder of the report was adopted, subject to certain amendments, including the following:—

Mr. W. F. Dillon to be appointed a minor staff officer at £200, rising by annual increments of £10 to £250, and thence by £15 yearly to a maximum of £400, with cost of living bonus. Mr. T. McCarthy to be appointed to Class A at the initial salary of £180, with cost of living bonus. Recommendations regarding P. J. Kinsella, William (ieraghty, J. P. White, Leo Lawlor, P. White, R. Henderson, and G. Archer were deleted.

Recommendations regarding Law Agents' salary, and those of Messrs. Blair, O'Shea and Walsh to be deleted.

The Assistant Law Agent's salary to be £950, rising by one annual increment of £50 to the maximum of £1,000 per annum, without bonus. Mr. Bonass to be placed on staff officer's scale at £550, rising by annual increments of £25 to a maximum of £750 per annum without bonus. Mr. Richard Doyle to be placed on minor staff officer's scale at £250, rising by annual increments of £15 to a maximum of £400 per annum, with cost of living bonus. Messrs. White and Kavanagh to be granted special allowance of £25 per annum (not to carry bonus), to take effect as from the date on which they qualify for admission as solicitor and barrister respectively.

DEAR FISH AT ABERDEEN.

For fourteen stone of whitches the wholesale price of £25 10s., or 2s. 7d. per lb., was paid in Aberdeen market on Saturday, a record figure for the country. The consignment went to London. Stormy weather and the New Year holidays caused short supplies. Haddocks made over 1s. per lb.; lemon soles fully 2s. per lb.

No. 11. New and Improved **BRETON SAILOR**, in first quality Austrian Velour. Delightfully soft and unaffected by rain. Trimmed moire ribbon with soft satin back. Particularly suitable for the Matron. Usual Price ... 37/6. Sale Price ... 27/6.

No. 8. Dainty **"KNOCDOR"** HAT of supreme Austrian Velour. Smart compact shape. The edge is bound with Petersham and studded with tiny steel beads. Usual Price... 79/6. Sale Price ... 59/6.

SWITZERS SALE

Postage Paid on Drapery Purchases

Country Orders Promptly Executed

No. 5. Becoming shadows are cast across the face by this brim. The crown is trimmed with beautiful ribbon trimming, with contrasting coloured Crepe-de-Chine under brim. In all good colours.
Usual Price ... 65/-.
Sale Price ... 48/6.

No. 7. Becoming Soft **AUSTRIAN VELOUR HAT**, attractively finished at side with bow. In all good colours.
Usual Price... 37/6.
Sale Price ... 27/6.

COMMENCES 9 a.m. TO-DAY

To-day the curtain has been rung up on what will surely prove to be the greatest bargain event of 1925 . . . . . SWITZERS SALE! Only twice in the year does this wonderful buying opportunity come, but it is, and always has been, well worth waiting for. SWITZERS SALE presents one of those rare occasions when really dependable goods can be secured at much under the standard prices. Some idea of what can be saved by purchasing now may be gained from a perusal of this announcement. Even if the distance prevents you making a personal call, your written requirements will have the careful attention of the skilled assistants in our Postal Service Department.

Order By Post With Confidence

No. 513. Useful and smart Frock for home wear, in Stockinette, Navy, Black or Brown. Former Price, £2 7s. 6d. Sale Price, 35/-.

No. 501. Simple yet distinctive and altogether graceful in this **COSTUME** of Velour Cloth with Fur to tone. Former Price, 10½ Gns. Sale Price, 8½ Gns.

No. 504. **SMART DOSTUME**, in navy, black, or brown Velour Cloth, elegantly trimmed with soft furs in tone. Former Price, £8 19s. 6d. Sale Price, 7½ Gns.

No. 509. Fashionable plain **TAILORED SUIT** of Donegal Tweed. A useful style recommended for hard wear. Available in brown and grey mixture. Former Price, 5½ Gns. Sale Price, £3 19s. 6d.

DAINTY LINGERIE

LADIES' NAINSOOK NIGHTDRESSES, full sizes, daintily trimmed, some with embroidery and others with pretty lace. Original Price... 9/11 Sale Price 6/11

Special lines **LADIES' NAINSOOK NIGHTDRESSES** at 5/11, 6/11, 9/11 to 21/-

All excellent value.

A few oddments in **LADIES' LONGCLOTH NIGHTDRESSES**, trimmed embroidery, marked at tempting prices.

All remains of our Winter Stock of **WOVEN** and **WINCEY NIGHTDRESSES** much reduced in price to clear.

A few **CREPE-DE-CHINE NIGHTDRESSES**, slightly shop-soiled, marked cheap.

LADIES' NAINSOOK CAMISOLES, very special lines, slip-on shape, nicely trimmed at 11/9, 9/8 6/6

LADIES' RIPPLE CLOTH DRESSING JACKETS, all good shades, from 8/11 to 12/11.

Special line **LADIES' NAINSOOK COMBINATIONS**; several patterns in select from in this lot. Original Price, 6/11 Sale Price 5/11

Many other good lines equally cheap. Odd and slightly soiled garments marked half-price.

A number of **JAPANESE SILK QUILTED DRESSING GOWNS**, full sizes. Pale Blue, Pale Pink, Rose, Helio, Saxe, Grey and Black. Reduced to ..... 27/11 each.

LADIES' FANCY FLANNEL DRESSING GOWNS, mostly dark useful shades, to be worn either open at neck or high. Reduced from 31/6 to 26/11.

A lot of **LADIES' ARTIFICIAL SILK PRINCESS PETTICOATS**, in many pretty shades. Reduced from 21/- to 17/6.

A few **JAPANESE QUILTED SILK DRESSING JACKETS**, Pale Blue, Pale Pink and other shades. Reduced from 21/- to 16/6.

All Dress Trimmings, Embroideries, and Fur Trimmings Specially Reduced.

HABERDASHERY

Only a few items of our large and varied stock.

Finest quality of **INDIA TAPE**. Banded. 12 pieces, assorted widths, 24 yards. Each 1/11½. Sale Price..... 1/9

Housewives' Grey **STOCKINETTE SLEEVES**. Sale Price 1/8

SLIPPON GAP NETS. Best quality. Full size. Sale Price, 4/3 doz., 4½d. each.

GOAT AND ROBE HANGER, covered with Jazz Cotton Voile. Sale Price, each ..... 6½d.

Extending Wire **COAT HANGERS**. Sale Price, each ..... 7½d.

Enamelled **SHOE TREES** and Shoe Horn Combined. Sale Price ..... 2/- Pair. 8½d.

Sewing **COTTON PLAYTS**. Each mixed with all Colours of Cottons. Sale Price... 6½d.

Spring **SHOE IMPROVERS**, wood heel and toe. Price ..... Sale 10½d.

Nickel Steel **SAFETY PINS**, in bunch containing 50 Pins, assorted sizes. Sale Price, Bunch ..... 6½d.

"Ore" Tyrese **WRINKLE CASES**, filled with flannel leaves and assortment of all kinds of Needles. Sale Price 1/6

STOCKING SUSPENDERS, in fast Black, fitted with Silk or small Rubber Buttons. Sale Price, 1/11. Sale Price, 1/6

DARNING, with spring to hold article in position while darning. Sale Price, 1/6 each. 6½d.

FRINGE HAIR NETS. Our noted quality. Sizes large, 1/6, 1/9. Sale Price, 9/8 doz., 2½d. each. Large size, No. 140. Sale Price, 3/8 doz., 4d. each.

FURS

Large and High-Class Selection of **FUR COATS**, in specially picked skins, Seal Coney, Seal Musquash, Natural Musquash, Moleskin, etc.

Most generous Reductions have been made on all Coats.

STOLES.—An Attractive Collection of Stoles in all fashionable shapes.

Sable Fitch, 1 skin ties, beautiful colour. Best quality. Sale Price, 45/-.

WHITE SKUNK, 1 skin ties. First quality. Sale Price, 35/-

STOLES, in Moleskin, Fox, Bear, Sable Fitch, etc. Natural Fox animal shape. Sale Price, £3 10s. 0d.

200 **TWEED COATS**, in latest shapes. Regular Price, 2 Gns. to £3. Sale Price, 21/- to £4 10/-.

90 Untrimmed **VELOUR COATS**, in fashionable shades. Regularly, £5 to £12. Sale Price, £3 10/- to £6.

50 Short **SPORTS COATS**, Velour, etc. Formerly, 2 Gns. Sale Price, 23/6.

Foot Muffs And Rugs At Exceptionally Low Prices

DRESS MATERIALS

Odd colours in **TRIXY BEAR BLOAKING**, in self colour and check. Former prices, 9/11 and 10/6. All reduced to 2/6

SAXONY TWEED CLOAKING, small chevron pattern. Former price, 12/6. Sale Price 7/11

Silk Face **CAMAUL CLOAKING**, various shades of Brown, also Black. Former price, 17/6. Sale Price 7/6

Plain and Jacquard **VELOUR**, in a variety of colours. Former prices, 10/6 and 12/6. All one price, 7/11

POPLIN-DE-CHINE, Silk and Wool Charmeleine and Mascara, for dresses. Former prices, 10/6 and 12/6. Sale Price 9/6

ODD PIECES of Materials, the remnants to sundries in detail, including Tweeds, Velours, Gabardines, Coatings, at half the ordinary price.

Hand-woven **IRISH TWEEDS**, self colours and check. Former prices, 8/11 and 6/11. Sale Price 4/6

EMBROIDERED CREPES, Mauve, Nil, Pink, Beige, Sky, Saxe, with vari-coloured embroidery. Former price, 5/6. Sale Price 9/11

Broche **VELVETEEN**, Flame, Petunia, Gold, Jade, and Navy. Former price, 8/11. Sale Price 5/6

GABARDINE and Satin Back **MAROCAIN**, fine range of colours. Former price, 17/6. Sale Price 10/6

50 Pieces **SATINE**, plain colours, checks, and stripes. Former prices, 2/11 to 3/6. All reduced to 1/6

MAROCAIN—Artificial Silk new stripes and plain colours. Former price, 6/6. Sale Price 3/6

Black Materials for Dresses and Costumes at reduced prices.

HUNDREDS OF REMNANTS, both in cotton and wool, in many instances at less than half the original Price

SILK FABRICS

These goods will be displayed separately on tables at our Silk Department. They represent some of the best bargains ever offered by us.

CREPE-DE-CHINE, in a very heavy reliable quality, double width. Usual price, 12/11 to 18/11. Sale Price... 9/11 to 12/11

TOILE-DE-SOIE, suitable for children's dresses, underwear, etc., double width. Usual price, 4/11 to 8/11. Sale Price ..... 4/3 to 6/6

SHOT TAFFETA, pure dye, and in all good shades; double width. Usual price, 7/11. Sale Price 5/11

PRINTED JAPANESE SILK, new designs; 36 inches wide. Usual price, 6/11 to 8/11. Sale Price 5/11

PRINTED MAROCAIN, in a large variety of colourings and designs; double width. Usual price, 6/11 to 8/11. Sale Price ..... 4/11 to 6/11

CHIFFON VELOUR, in Black and all leading shades, 58/60 inches wide. Usual price, 15/11 to 18/11. Now all one Price 12/11

ART SATIN, in all leading shades, 36 in. wide. Usual price, 9/11 to 9/11. Sale Price ..... 5/11 to 8/11

ODD LENGTHS AND REMNANTS will be marked in most cases Half the Original Prices.

RIBBONS, SCARVES & SHAWLS

5 Inch **Printed SATIN RIBBON**. Usual price, 4/6. Special Sale Offer, yard, 10½d. Colours as follows:—Grey Ground Mustard Print, Mole and Jade, Tan and Rose, Navy and Cerise, Jade and Mustard.

5 Inch Smart Coloured **STRIPE SATIN RIBBON**. Usual price, 2/11 per yard. Special Sale Offer, per yard ..... 10½d.

6 Inch Coloured **LATTICE PATTERN RIBBON**, with contrasting coloured Border. Usually 2/6. Special Sale Offer, per yard ..... 9½d.

6 Inch **BLACK GLACE RIBBON**. Usually 1/3 yard. Special Sale Offer ... 9½d.

4½ Inch Shot Terry **VELVET RIBBON**, Silk back. Usual price, 4/11 per yard. Special Offer, yard 1/9

THOUSANDS OF REMNANTS of Ribbon at unheard-of low prices.

SHAWL BARGAINS—A most Wonderful Bargain in Black also White, large Honeycomb **SHAWLS**. Usually 37/6. Clearing at, each ..... 14/6.

All other Silk **SHAWLS** considerably reduced during Sale.

SPECIAL OFFER OF SCARVES — 600 CURLED WOOL WRAPS, small large size. Assorted Smart Plaid Designs and all in the newest variety of colourings, particularly Browns, Tans, Brick, Chinatowns, etc. The regular price of this Wrap in London and Provinces is 7/6. Switzer's Special Sale Offer, each ..... 4/11.

A Wonderful Bargain.

Entire Stock of all other **SCARVES** considerably reduced during Sale.

LACES, UMBRELLAS & TUNICS

Black and Gold **LACE INSERTION**, 2½ wide. Usually 1/11. Now, yd. 10½d.

Coloured Cire **LACE FLOUNCING**, 36" wide, in Pink, Green, Orange, Gold, Peacock, Lemon, or Brown. Usually 3/11. Now ... 2/6.

Coloured **CIRE LACE**, 13" wide, in Helio, Brown, Mole, Sky, and Green. Usually 2/11. Now ..... 1/3.

IMITATION LACE and Insertion, 2, 4 and 6 inches wide. Usually from 10½d. to 1/11 per yard. Now, per yard ..... 6½d.

12-inch **CAMBRIC FLOUNCING**. Usually 1/11. Now, yd. 1/3.

VEILS—12 doz. Smart Veils, Black and Colours. Usually 3/11 and 5/11. Now clearing at, each 1/-

BARGAIN LINE OF GNUSET UMBRELLAS, 150 only Smart Mantle Chubby Umbrellas, reliable wearing covers. Special Sale Offer, each ..... 6/11.

Entire Stock of all our regular hirhclass **UMBRELLAS** considerable reduced in price during Sale.

Special reduced prices for **RE-COVERING** during Sale.

BARGAINS IN TUNICS—6 dozen Smart Coloured Tunics and Beaded Tunics. Usually 75/- each. Special Sale Offer, each 37/6

Special Offer of Black and Gold Check **SATEEN OVERSKIRTS** ..... clearing at 4/11 each.

Our famous Admirality Cloth **LOOSE FITTING OVERALL** offered during Sale at 7/11 each.

OVERALLS AND APRONS of every conceivable style and colourings marked at almost cost prices to clear.

COMBINATIONS

60 dozen **PURE WOOL COMBINATIONS**, ribbed light and warm, with ribbon sleeves, or with ribbon shoulders. Woman's and O.S.

Usual price, 9/11 and 10/11. Now Marked down to be cleared at ..... Sale Price, 7/11 and 8/11.

About 300 Garments, **MANUFACTURERS' SAMPLES**—Vests, Combinations, and Knickers at nearly half-price to clear.

50 doz. **SWISS RIB COMBINATIONS**, fancy tops. Usual Price, 4/11. Sale Price, 3/6½.

VESTS & KNICKERS

20 doz. fine pure wool **SLEEPING VESTS**, short and long sleeves. Usual price, 3/6 and 3/11. Sale Price, 1/11½ and 2/6½.

30 doz. pure wool ribbed **CHEM. VESTS**, 40ins. long, low neck, no sleeves or ribbon shoulder. Usual price, each, 6/11. Sale Price, each, 5/6½. Low neck, short sleeves. Sale Price ..... 5/11½. Long sleeve. Sale Price, 7/6.

50 doz. Ladies' fine **MERINETTE COTTON KNICKERS**, good variety shades, elastic at waist and knee. Clearing at, pair, 1/6½.

30 doz. Heavy **ANTIFIDIAL SILK KNICKERS**, in Black, White, and beautiful shades. Woman's size. Usual price, 11/6. Sale Price ..... 10/6.

STOCKINGS

50 Doz. fine Marl **SILK MIXTURE HOSE**, self silk stripe cotton tops and seamless feet. Light Fawn and Silver Grey, 9 and 9½ ins. Usual Price, 3/11 pair. Sale Price, 2/11½ pair.

50 Doz. fine **ARTIFICIAL SILK HOSE**, Silver Grey and Nude suit. 9 and 9½ ins. Usual Price, 2/11 pair. Sale Price, 1/11½ pair.

Several Odd Lots **LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S HOSE** at Bargain Counter. Clearing at half-price.

50 Doz **MERCERISED COTTON HOSE**, as illustrated, fully fashioned, perfect fitting, neat self-silk clock; Black, Nude, Silver, Sunburn, Grey Mole and Brown; 9½ to 10 ins. Usual Price, 6/11 pair. Sale Price, 5/6½ pair.

40 Doz. **PURE SILK HOSE**, fine cotton tops and feet; in Nude, Fawn, Silver, White and Black; 9½ to 10 ins. Usual Price, 3/11 pair. Clearing at 2/11½ pair.

Some Remarkable Values in LADIES' RELIABLE GLOVES

Long gauntlet fleece **WOOLLEN GLOVES**, shown on Left, all shades. Usual price, 3/11 per pair. Sale price, per pair, 2/6½.

40 Doz. White **FRENCH DOESKIN GLOVES**, shown on right, elastic at wrists to pull on. Usual ..... Prices, 9/11. 10/6. Sale Price ... 8/11½

50 Doz. Irish Hand-knit **KNITTED GLOVES**, in Natural and White. Usual Price, 3/11, and 4/11 per pair. Sale Price 2/6½

TAN NAPPA GLOVES, fleece-lined, wide gauntlet, fur top. Usual Prices, 16/11 per pair. Sale Price, 12/11 per pair.

Lined and Fur-trimmed **DEERSKIN GLOVES**, specially reduced.

50 Doz. 2-button Reindeer Finish **FABRIC GLOVES** (shown above), in all colours, wash well, wear well. Usual Price, 4/6 per pair. Sale Price, 2/6½

Ladies' Pull-on **DOESKIN GLOVES**, in shades of Mole, Brown, Grey and Tan, elastic at wrist. Usual Price, 12/11 per pair.

Sale Price, per pair... 9/11

2-Button **TAN NAPPA LEATHER GLOVES**, usually 4/11 and 5/11 per pair. Special Sale Price, 3/11½ per pair.

50 Doz. Pull-on **CHAMOIS GLOVES**, for Golf, Shopping etc. Usual Price, 4/11 per pair. Sale Price ... 3/11½

Children's Natural Coney **FUR-BACK GLOVES**, fleece-lined Fabric palm. Special Sale Price, 7/11 per pair.

All Glove Oddments on counters will be marked at Specially Reduced Prices during Sale.

Extraordinary Sale Values in Men's and Boys' Clothing, Footwear, Linens, Furniture and Fancy Goods

SWITZER & CO., LTD., GRAFTON ST., DUBLIN

Fur-trimmed Coats And Rain Coats

Special Offer. 180 Beautiful Velour **CLOTH AND FANCY COATS** in Tan, Browns, Blacks, etc., trimmed all fashionable Furs.

Regular Prices, £3 to £20. Sale Prices, £2 to £15.

No. 70. Special value in a reliable **RAINCOAT**. Lined throughout and latest Belted shape. In Brown, Fawn, Grey, Navy, etc.

Regular Price, 49/6. Sale Price, 39/6.

Enormous Variety of Fur Coats

No. 266. **FULL LENGTH COAT** in Mole Flank Mosquash. Made on the most fashionable lines. Lined throughout Satin, An extremely wearing Fur At a most reasonable price. Regular Price, 25 Gns. Sale Price, 19 Gns.

No. 283. Beautiful **MODEL IN SEAL CONEY** with Handsome Sable Fitch Collar. Lined fine quality Brocade.

Regular Price, 29 Gns. Sale Price, 25 Gns.

CHILDREN'S WEAR

Vests, Combinations, Coats, Skirts, Gloves, etc., at Reduced Prices.

CHILDREN'S Fine Swiss Rib **SILK AND WOOL VESTS**, low necks, no sleeves, for party or ordinary wear. Sizes, 5, 7 and 10. Sale Prices, ... 5/11 to 6/6.

CHILDREN'S PURE WOOL COMBINATIONS of very soft finish Scotch wool. Low neck, one inch ribbed sleeve, short leg. For party or ordinary wear. Sizes 7 to 9. Usual prices, 9/11 to 12/6. Sale Prices ..... 8/6 to 11/9.

CHILDREN'S WINTER COATS marked down to remarkably low prices.

A few Children's **WOOL BRAECHETTE SUITS** and Cardigans marked at much reduced prices.

A few Coloured **TWEED COATS AND SKIRTS**, to fit girls from 13 to 16 years. Reduced from 3 gns. to 29/6.

A number of **NAVY SERGE SCHOOL FROCKS**, 24 to 36, all sizes. Clearing at, each ..... 19/6.

Another very good collection of **NAVY SERGE FROCKS**, in latest styles, from 36 to 42. Original price, 39/6. Clearing at, each ..... 29/11.

Children's White **FLEECE WOOLLEN GLOVES**, all sizes. Special value. Usual price, 2/11 per pair. Sale Price, per pair ..... 1/9½.

BLOUSES & CARDIGANS

WOOL BREAKFAST COATS, in all Colours and stripes. Colours ... Grey, Fawn, Black/White, Black/Scarlet, Jade/Fawn. Sale Price 7/11

JAP-SCHAPPE BLOUSES, finely pierced in Zimmer Lace Medallion. Sale Price 10/6

PARSLEY OVER-BLOUSES, with pointed sleeves and three-quarter sleeves. Sale Price ... 16/11

JAP-SCHAPPE SHIRTS, with Peter Pan Collar and Sports Tie. Sale Price 17/11

Fancy Wool **PULL-OVER JUMPERS**, in colours: Brown and White. Sale Price 16/11

High Neck **WOOL JUMPER**, with two pockets, in many shades and Black. Sale Price ... 17/11

No. 80.—**ALPACA WOOL CARDIGAN COAT**, as sketch, in self check design. Colours: Grey, Brown and White 25/9

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

GAIETY THEATRE.
THE HOME OF PANTOMIME.
ANOTHER GREAT SUCCESS.
Evgs. 7.30. The Gorgeous Successful Pantomime,
CINDERELLA,
TALENTED ARTISTES,
BEAUTIFUL DRESSES,
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FULL CHORUS. AUGMENTED ORCHESTRA.
MATINEES WEDNESDAYS & SATURDAYS, AT 2.

OLYMPIA THEATRE
(LATE EMPIRE).
TWICE NIGHTLY ..... 7 and 9.
DUBLIN'S FAVOURITE PANTOMIME:
LAST WEEK OF
"BABES IN THE WOOD,"
RECORD STAR CAST INCLUDES:
Olive Aubrey, Bobbie Graham, Cissie Nadina,
Grar and Grar, etc. James Litster.
Lix Spotlights. 'Phone 2308.
Box Office—11-4.

ABBEY THEATRE.
TO-MORROW (TUESDAY) and FOLLOWING NIGHTS, at 8.15. MATINEE SATURDAY, 2.30.
THE FIDDLER'S HOUSE," by Padraic Colum.
"NEVER THE TIME AND THE PLACE,"
By Lennox Robinson.
Booking at Theatre. 'Phone 3268.
And at Clery's, Lower O'Connell street.

DUBLIN DRAMA LEAGUE.
ABBEY THEATRE.
TO-NIGHT (MONDAY), AT 8.15,
"MASES AND MAN," by Ernst Toller.
"THE SCENE THAT WAS TO WRITE ITSELF,"
Mini-Comedy, by George Dunning Gribbin.
Booking at Theatre. 'Phone 3268.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.
UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT.
TWICE NIGHTLY ..... 6.50 and 9.
MATINEES, WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY AT 2.30.
THIRD WEEK of DUBLIN'S BEST PANTOMIME,
"PUSS-IN-BOOTS."
HARRY BURN'S No. 1 LONDON COMPANY
An Excellent Array of Talent, including
THE SISTERS REEVE
As principal Boy and Girl.
BOOKING OFFICE OPEN FROM 11 a.m. TO 9 p.m. 'PHONE 3016.

BOHEMIAN PICTURE THEATRE, PHIBSBORO' ROAD.
HER TEMPORARY HUSBAND,
Starring OWEN MOORE and SYD CHAPLIN.
GAZETTE, EVE, COMEDY, Etc.
Also,
"NICE DADDA"
GRIFF,
The Babbling Bubble Blower and his Comical Bobble-Juggling Doll, at 7 and 9 p.m.
ORCHESTRA AND ORGAN—Continuous, 4.30 to 10.30.

THE CARLTON.
"THE TENTH WOMAN,"
Featuring
BEVERLY BAYNE and JOHN ROCHE.
THE SACKVILLE PICTURE HOUSE. WESLEY BARRY, in "HEROES OF THE STREET." Also CHARLIE CHAPLIN.

PRINCESS, RATHMINES.
"THE DEVIL'S ACRE."
Thursday—Two first-rate Pictures, viz.:—Richard Barthelmess, in "THE FIGHTING BLADE," and Jack Collins, in "THE VELVET WOMAN."

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THE GREATEST DRAMATIC SPECTACLE OF ALL THE AGES.
"THE TEN COMMANDMENTS."
AMAZING IN ITS MAGNIFICENT SPECTACLES.
A PICTURE YOU WILL REMEMBER ALL YOUR LIFE.
DAILY at 1.0, 3.30, 6.0 & 8.30 p.m.

GRAND CENTRAL.
NEXT WEEK—
NORMA TALMADGE.
THIS WEEK—
JANE GREY'S "MYSTERIOUS RIDER."
JOSE COLLINS in "THE COURAGE OF JOSIE."

CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT, WITH SPECIAL TEA, 1/-, AT
ASTORIA,
16 DAWSON STREET,
TO-DAY (MONDAY), 4-6 O'CLOCK.
COME AND HEAR THE WONDERFUL TALKING DOLLS.

ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY OF MUSIC,
WESTLAND ROW.
The NEW TERM will COMMENCE on WEDNESDAY, 7th JANUARY, 1925.
Candidate Pupils (singing Music to perform) are requested to attend as follows, viz.:—
ORGAN—Wednesday, 7th January, 1925, at 2 p.m.
PIANO—Thursday, 8th January, 1925, at 3.30 p.m.
SINGING—Friday, 9th January, 1925, 11.30 a.m.
VIOLA & VIOLA—Monday, 12th January, 3.30 p.m.
VIOLONCELLO—Tuesday, 13th January, 11.30 a.m.
Declamation on inquiry.
Forms of Application and Prospectuses, with fees, particulars as to EVENING and other Classes, can be obtained at the Academy.
NOTICE—No Pupil is allowed to compete for an Academy Scholarship or for other Prizes who has not been a Pupil of the Academy for THREE Consecutive Terms.
Pupils who enter at January Term, 1925, will be eligible to compete at the Annual Examinations in December Next (subject to the Regulations).
(By Order).

THE READ PIANOFORTE SCHOOL,
12 HARCOURT STREET,
WILL RE-OPEN ON MONDAY, JANUARY 12th.
For particulars apply to THE SECRETARY. Interviews with the Principal by appointment.

THE MISSES MALLINS
RE-OPEN ALL CLASSES ON AND FROM TO-DAY.
E. M. Hotel, Kingstown, Monday and Tuesday, 3 to 5 p.m.; Imperial (Clery's), Wednesday (Thursday in future), all day; Arcadia, Bray, Fridays, 2.30 to 5 p.m.; Molesworth Hall, Saturdays, 11 to 1 p.m.
Children's and Adults' Classes now forming in Kilkenny.
Classes Held in Limerick, Waterford, Carlow, BAGNALSTOWN, WICKLOW, HOWTH, etc.
Full particulars,
31 PEMBROKE ROAD, DUBLIN.

DANCING & CALISTHENICS.
CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS.
NEW TERM COMMENCES ON AND FROM 8th JANUARY.
Full particulars on application to
MISS KATHLEEN MANDERS,
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CLERYS RESTAURANT.
THE LARGEST MENU IN IRELAND.
EVERY ROOM FULLY LICENSED FOR DRINKS OF ALL KINDS.
OPEN 9.30 A.M. TO 9.30 P.M.

PUBLIC NOTICES.
SCOIL KALADEAN NA hARD-CHATHRACH. METROPOLITAN SCHOOL OF ART.
Sráid Chill Dara, Kildare street,
Baile Átha Cliath. Dublin.
ARD-SHAOIRSE. ARCHITECTURE.
PEINTEÁIL. PAINTING.
DEALBHOIREACHT. SCULPTURE.
AISTE. DESIGN.
DEARTHOIREACHT. DRAWING.
OBAIR MHIOTAIL. METALWORK.
CRUAINTOIREACHT. ENAMELLING.
SCEALBHACHT. JEWELLERY.
GLOINE DAITHTE. STAINED GLASS.
BRODAIREACHT. EMBROIDERY.
OBAIR LEATHAIR. LEATHERWORK.
Oscáirí an Rangcana le haghaidh faighidh Classes will Open for the remainder of the de's Scolaise 1924/25, ag Session 1924/25 on Wed-Ceardaidh, an 7adh lá nesday, 7th January.
d'Eanair.
Rangcana Lea 10 a.m. go 3.30 p.m. Day Classes 10 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.
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The Irish Times.

MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 1925.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

Speaking at an electioneering meeting in Dublin yesterday, Mr. de Valera said that the Republican programme was exactly the same as the programme that he had laid down at his first election campaign in Clare in 1917.—(Page 8.)

Two armed men stopped Mr. J. Morrow, cashier, in Clanwilliam place, Dublin, on Saturday, and carried off a case containing £200.—(Page 7.)

The retail price of new milk in Belfast has been reduced from eightpence to sevenpence a quart from to-day.—(Page 9.)

The flooding in many parts of Ireland is extending, and farmers report the loss of cattle, sheep and hay. In some districts the people are short of fuel, and the rise of the Shannon continues to drive dwellers in low-lying areas near it out of their homes.—(Page 7.)

ABROAD.

An unprecedented boom on the New York Stock Exchange is reported.—(Page 7.)

Signor Mussolini is continuing his policy of suppressing his political opponents and their newspapers.—(Page 7.)

SPORTING.

At Twickenham on Saturday the All Blacks brought the British portion of their Rugby tour to an end, when they defeated England by 17 points to 11.—(Page 11.)

At Plumpton on Saturday Ardeen won the Keymer Steeplechase.—(Page 10.)

On Saturday at Melbourne Hobbs and Sutcliffe opened England's innings in the second Test match, and were not out at the close of play with a total of 283.—(Page 10.)

FINANCIAL.

Money was in ample supply in Lombard street at 2½ to 1½ per cent. Discount rates were steady and the Foreign Exchange Market quiet, with sterling again on the up grade.—(Page 4.)

Ministers and their Critics.

Mr. de Valera opened the Republican Party's election campaign in Dublin yesterday. We suppose that even the most patient of his followers had expected from him some definite statement of his policy for the administration of the twenty-six counties if he should contrive to oust the Free State Government from office during the present year. Trade, taxes, agricultural and industrial development, unemployment—all these subjects present large notes of interrogation to anybody who proposes to control national affairs, whether as President of a Republic or as Prime Minister of a Dominion. Mr. de Valera, however, assumes the privileges of Shakespeare: others abide our question—he is free. He condescended merely to say that he stands, politically, just where he stood in 1917—ready to repudiate the Anglo-Irish Treaty and sublimely regardless of the consequences of such an act. His economic programme is slightly younger. It dates from 1919, but has gained nothing from its period of cold storage. A position of economic independence is to be secured which will make the country happy and prosperous. Private property will be subordinate to the interests of the State, and there will be work for all. On no less attractive or more nebulous prospectus were Englishmen invited to invest their savings in the South Sea Bubble. Credulity, we fear, is a constant factor in human affairs; but we are unwilling to believe that, after three years of self-government, any large section of the Irish people will be persuaded to give Mr. de Valera a blank cheque for his blank programme.

Construction is not the only weak point in Mr. de Valera's political equipment. He cannot—or, at least, will not—pass an intelligent criticism on the work of the Government which he seeks to destroy. There is, of course, ample room for criticism in every department of public affairs; but Mr. de Valera, with a quite curious fatuity, denounced precisely those present evils for which his own party's activities are almost wholly responsible. Such deterioration of character as exists, and the wide extent of unemployment, are direct results of the campaign of lawless violence which piled a vast bill of costs upon the infant State and relaxed all the moral fibres of the community. It is a real misfortune that neither the Republican Party nor the self-styled National Group gives the country the slightest assistance in the way of reasoned criticism of the Government's administration; for to the lack of such criticism we may attribute some of the Government's chief weaknesses, including its too often slipshod methods and its tendency to settle public business in secret conclaves. Nevertheless, with all its faults, the present Government—as Mr. de Valera's latest speech and speeches from the National Group demonstrate abundantly—is the only possible Government for the Free State at this time. It has gained a valuable experience in public affairs, and it has to its credit a record of solid achievement. Much remains to be done, and the problem of over-taxation is terribly urgent; but in recent months the Government has passed economic legislation which, with popular support, will transform the whole national outlook in the next few years.

For another reason the Government deserves, and will require, the support of progressive and sober-minded citizens at the coming elections. All things are not well within the ranks of its own party. A section of the *Cumann na nGaedheal* wishes to be reconciled with the National Group, which recently resigned *en bloc* from Parliament; but the Government cannot forgive the resignations on any ground of logic or patriotism and is unwilling to accept the malcontents' demands. Yesterday Mr. Sean Milroy, of the National Group, was selected at a local convention as the *Cumann na nGaedheal* candidate for Cavan in the teeth of the Government's wishes; but it is possible that the choice may not prove to be final. From a rather obscure *tohu-bohu* of intrigue, however, the fact emerges that the Government is fighting a brave battle for tolerance and breadth of vision in the conduct of the nation's business. It appears that the reinstatement of dismissed Army officers is not the only article of conflict within the ranks of the *Cumann na nGaedheal*. Some of the Government's nominal supporters believe in the cynical old motto, "To the victors the spoils." They are demanding the removal of certain Civil Servants on sectarian or political grounds. They wish to keep the Administration strictly in the hands of the old *Sinn Fein* Party, and are in revolt against any attempt to broaden the basis of government by the selection of ex-Redmondites or ex-Unionists as candidates for *Dail Eireann*. The Ministry rejects these demands and still pursues the ideal of a State which will embrace all the loyal and worthy elements in the nation's life. The existence of such an issue removes the last excuse for apathy at the coming contests—or will remove it as soon as the Government renders to the electors the same confidence which it expects from them.

The Centenary of Railways.

During the present year the railway train will celebrate its first centenary, in 1825 George Stephenson perfected his famous engine, the "Rocket," which made its trial trip from Stockton to Darlington amid much popular enthusiasm. George Stephenson himself acted as driver, and his train consisted of thirty-four vehicles, accommodating a quantity of coal and flour, as well as four hundred and fifty passengers. Its speed ranged from five to fifteen miles an hour. Although a large number of admirable citizens, including the great Duke of Wellington, disapproved strongly of the invention, suspecting poor Stephenson of some sinister magic, the railway train became extremely popular, and trunk lines were laid down with very little delay. Progress in the development of the modern train was necessarily slow. The first sleeping car did not make its appearance until 1873, with the first dining car six years afterwards. In 1892 the system of a corridor train was adopted, and since that time almost every year has seen some further improvement. To-day the express engine weighs 150 as compared to the "Rocket's" seven tons. It can haul a load of 500 tons at seventy-five miles an hour, and some measure of its popularity may be gauged by the fact that last year in Great Britain alone no fewer than 1,200,000,000 railway journeys were made. It is difficult for us of this generation to realise the difference which the introduction of the railway train made in the lives of our great-grandparents. When the "Rocket" appeared the only ways of inland transport were the road, the river and the canal. They had not changed since the days of Julius Cæsar, and, if anything, road transport was inferior in comfort and speed to that which the Romans introduced into Britain. A journey from Sheffield to London, in the year 1825, is reported to have occupied thirty-six hours by stage coach, and means of communication on the Continent of Europe were even more primitive. The steam engine changed all that. It came at the height of the industrial revolution and hastened the progress of that great movement to an almost incredible degree. Greater scientific "advances" have been made in the hundred years which have passed since the "Rocket" than were made in all previous centuries put together. The steam engine was the herald of that astonishing age of invention which has given mankind the ocean liners, the telegraph and telephone, with their "wireless" developments; the internal combustion engine, the aeroplane, the cinematograph and a hundred other "marvels" of which our ancestors never dreamt. Whether these great strides towards mechanical mastery of the globe have increased or reduced man's happiness is another matter. A hundred years ago men lived leisured lives. They had time to study and to think, with the result that good literature, good music and good art were produced in abundance. To-day life is a series of frenzied jerks from cradle to grave. *Vers libre*, jazz and dadaism dominate whatever "artistic" activities are possible in a world which has abandoned itself to the craze for speed; and one wonders whether, after all, even the luxury of an express train is sufficient compensation for the loss of the gracious amenities of a hundred years ago.

A "Dry" Australia.

The disciples of prohibition are devoting themselves with some energy to the advancement of the policy of a "Dry Australia." At present they are engaged in an effort to educate public opinion to support their views. Considerable modifications have been made in the hours during which it is legal to sell intoxicating liquor, but in no State in the Commonwealth has the prohibition movement gained sufficient strength to be able to enforce a referendum on the subject. The prohibitionists have improved their position as a result of alarm at the size of the drink bills, which are showing a decided tendency to increase in nearly all the States. On the other side the economic aspect of the case is urged as the principal argument against prohibition. Every State, except Tasmania, is engaged in the wine-producing industry, from which a lucrative export trade has been developed. The whole Dominion has more than one hundred thousand acres under vines. Principally as a result of this trade, the opponents of prohibition are able to command large financial resources, and in this respect they hold an immense advantage, since the prohibitionists are notoriously short of funds. For that reason and because public opinion is not ripe for a drastic change, the progress of the movement is slow. The "dry" campaign, however, has been marked by some striking achievements. In New South Wales the hour of closing was fixed during the war at six o'clock, instead of eleven, by a majority of over three hundred and forty thousand votes. A reduction of five hours also has been made in the hours of daily opening in Queensland; and in South Australia and Victoria there have been small reductions, either in the hours of opening or in the number of licensed houses. Encouraged by these signs of popular sympathy, the prohibitionists, doubtless, will make great efforts to achieve their end.

The Unconquered Team.

The New Zealand football team has brought its British tour to a close with a crowning triumph at the expense of England. It is a great pity, from every point of view, that the game should have been marred by an unpleasant incident which resulted in a New Zealand player's dismissal from the field. The loss of the banished forward made the triumph of the "All Blacks" more decisive, since it served to show that they could beat England's chosen fifteen with only fourteen men; but the incident will remain a sad blot on a record of fine achievement. It is not in the interests of the game that fifty thousand spectators should be witnesses of an occurrence which, fortunately, is almost unknown in the Rugby code. The supremacy of the visitors, however, in the qualities that make great football cannot be questioned. It is easy to find excuses for the English failure, though none of them can be regarded as satisfactory. It may be argued that, in any other year since 1919, England would have been able to make a more formidable bid for victory. Furthermore, the home players were taking the field together for the first time, whereas the visitors had played twenty-seven previous matches with virtually the same team. When the tour was begun critics rated the "All Blacks" lower than their countrymen who visited the British Isles in 1905, but the team has made a steady improvement until it has developed into, perhaps, the most perfect football machine which the game has produced. Probably it is quite fair to assume that, with like facilities for getting to know one another's play, the Englishmen could have made equal progress. If the difficulties caused by lack of cohesion could be overcome, the standard of English—and Irish—representative teams might be raised out of all knowledge.

THE PORTUGUESE RIVIERA.

(By An Irish Visitor.)

The word "Riviera" conveys to the dweller in Northern European climes the ideas of brightness, warmth, elasticity of life. It sounds attractive to the ears of the many who are compelled by professional or commercial engagements which engross or grind, or to the imagination of the equally numerous class of limited means or of leisure enforced by illness. It is an alluring word of rather indefinite description which conjures up visions of luxurious living, of attractive sports and gaming tables, of perpetual sunshine, of balconies where lovers exchange confidences under twilight gleams of light, of afternoon *siestas* while awaiting the inevitable tea-table so dear to English womankind, to dances and to carnivals, to gambling salons and tennis tournaments. Attractive as these conjured dreams may be, their realisation depends much on the visitor's temperament and health, much, too, on conditions of climate and of weather.

In Europe there are to be found Rivieras which fulfil in varying detail these attractive allurements. They rival the resorts of wealthy Americans on the shores of Florida or the bays of the Bermudas; they strive to compare with the spicy breezes of Ceylon or the beauty of Formosa. For instance, there is the Garda Riviera in Northern Italy on the sheltered bay of Salo, the bluest of most azure lakes, where oranges and vines alternate on the sun-baked hills with the lemon trees, whose fruit on a time before the war was dear to profligate Viennese. There is in England the Cornish Riviera, which the Great Western Railway, not unjustly advertises on every one of its five hundred stations in alluring colours—mild though humid, easily reached, and where language difficulties make no barrier to social intercourse. And there is also the Riviera of France and Italy—the Riviera of the definite article—which has the most attractive meaning for the winter holiday-maker who despises Alpine sports. Of that Riviera per se we need not speak. For its description is unnecessary, as a hundred writers, apart from Baring Gould and R. L. Stevenson, have sought to extol its virtues and minimise its drawbacks.

Farther West than Cornwall by 500 miles and more Southerly than Mentone by 300 lies a Riviera in the land so well called Lusitania, in the territory in our oldest Ally—Portugal. Along the Northern shore of a wide bay, two-thirds of the way Southward on the coast of Portugal and within easy reach by rail of the fair City of Lisbon, lies a continuous string of villa towns. They stretch Westward to Cascaes, with its ancient fortress and picturesque streets and *praças*, where health and sunshine and balmy airs lending to "gladness of heart" may be found amid the quietude of pine woods and golden sands made merry with the ring of children's voices in play, the cries of muleteers, the tingling bells of the beasts they drive, and the voices of fisher-folk and busy washer-women as they bend over their tasks of toil.

Thither let the seeker of winter sunshine bend his steps by easy train journey through Paris, Irene, and the Spanish-Portuguese frontier; or else by swift and comfortable steamer in fifty hours from the shores of England. He will find much recuperative rest in sufficiently homely hotels amid the cosos wafted in soft Atlantic breezes, which fan the heat of tranaucent shores that still enshrine in memory the great poem of Camoens, the victories of navigators, and the imperishable verse of our own Byron. The search will not be fruitless or the experience wasted.

A PALACE FOR THE LEAGUE

PRIZES FOR BEST DESIGNS.

GENEVA, Sunday.

An international jury will shortly meet at Geneva for the purpose of determining the conditions of the international competition for the best designs of a palace which will prove a worthy meeting place for the assemblies of the League of Nations.

Among the members of the jury is Sir John Burnet, A.R.A., who represents Great Britain.

The jury will have at its disposal a sum of 100,000 francs for distribution as prizes for the best plans submitted to it.—(Reuter.)

WAR DEBTS.

FRENCH MEMORANDUM IN NEW YORK.

WASHINGTON, Sunday.

The memorandum of M. Clementel, the French Finance Minister, regarding the payment of war debt, was received by the State Department to-night. The document is being decoded, and will be put before the Government to-morrow.—(Reuter.)

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Cinderella," 7.30 p.m.
Theatre Royal—Variétés, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Puss-in-Boots," 6.50 and 9 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Babes in the Wood," 7 and 9.
Tivoli Theatre—Dixie Minstrels, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—Plays, 8.15 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"The Silent Voice."
Bohemian Picture Theatre—"Her Temporary Husband."
The Carlton—"The Tenth Woman."
Sackville Picture House—"Heroes of the Street."
Princess, Rathmines—"The Devil's Acre."
Metropole—"The Ten Commandments," 1.0, 3.30, 6.0 and 8.30 p.m.
The Grafton—"The Enchanted Cottage."
Grand Central—"Mysterious Rider."
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"Richard the Lion-Hearted."
Children's Entertainment—Astoria, 16 Dawson street, 4-6 p.m.
Royal Dublin Society's Juvenile Lecture—College of Surgeons, 3 p.m.
Parnell Anniversary Committee, 12 noon.
Institute of Civil Engineers—35 Dawson street, 8 p.m.
Dublin Rotary Club—Clery's Restaurant, 1 p.m.
Cinderella Entertainment—Dry House, 7 to 10.30 p.m.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The King and Queen, Queen Alexandra, the King and Queen of Norway, the Crown Prince of Norway, the Prince George, the Princess Royal, Princess Maria of Greece and Princess Nicholas and gentlemen in waiting attended the ladies and gentlemen in waiting attended Divine Service at Sandringham Church yesterday morning. The Bishop of Norwich preached the sermon.

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Satisfactory reports have been received from Madrid respecting the health of the Queen of Spain. Another Royal invalid, the Queen of the Belgians, is making good progress after the attack of influenza, which laid her up at Christmas. Her second son, Prince Charles, left Brussels for London last Saturday, and has now rejoined the Naval College at Greenwich, where he is taking up an advanced course of study.

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The Marchioness of Bute has quite recovered from her recent accident in the hunting field. Many Irish friends will be interested in learning that her numerous wartime activities have been fittingly recognised by her promotion from a Lady of Grace to be a Lady of Justice of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem in England.

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General the Earl of Cavan and the Countess of Cavan returned to London last week. Priscilla Countess Annesley has returned to London from the country. Viscount and Viscountess Devonport spent the week-end with Sir Herbert and Lady Cayzer at Tilney Hall, Hampshire, and will return to London to-day. Other arrivals in London include Countess Grey, General the Hon. Sir Herbert and the Hon. Lady Lawrence, Sir Victor and Lady Warrender, Major-General Sir Cecil and Lady Lowther and Lord Lawrence of Kingsgate.

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Lady Ardilaun entertained a number of friends at the Small House, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, last Saturday afternoon, when an enjoyable programme was rendered by Miss Renée Flynn (soprano), Dr. Isidore Myers (baritone), Miss Bay Jellett (violin), Miss Leila Starkie (violoncello), and Mrs. Boxwell (piano). Mrs. Boxwell's performance of two Chopin valses and Liszt's Rhapsodie Hongroise was much admired.

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Among last week's departures for the South of France were the Dowager Countess of Onslow, Lord and Lady Forres, Admiral the Hon. Sir Hedworth and Lady Meux, Mr. and Lady June Charlton and Sir Francis Lowe. Lord Woolavington has left for a three months' visit to South Africa. Colonel the Hon. R. Stapleton-Cotton is on his way to the West Indies, and will reside in future in Antigua. Sir Cosmo Duff-Gordon, Lady Atkinson-Willes and Sir Hercules Read were among the passengers on the ss. Ormonde, which left Southampton last Saturday for Australia. Lady Solomon has sailed for the West Indies. The Right Hon. Neville and Mrs. Chamberlain are on their way to Gibraltar.

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Major and Mrs. Talbot-Ponsonby are staying in Devonshire, and were among the guests at the Tiverton Hunt ball last Friday night in the Theatre, Tiverton. Its success reflected much credit on Brigadier-General the Hon. Leslie Butler's excellent organisation.

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An engagement is announced between R. Darley Whelan, R.A.F., eldest son of the Rev. P. S. and Mrs. Whelan, of Brenchley Vicarage, Kent, and grandson of the late George Johnstone Darley, of The Grange, Stillorgan, Dublin, and Barbara Celia, daughter of Sir Bonscher Wrey, Bart., and Lady Wrey, of Tawsden, Brenchley.

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Dr. Brian Crichton has returned to 26 Fitzwilliam square.

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Dr. Henry F. Moore has returned to 58 Fitzwilliam square.

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Dr. Leonard Abrahamson has returned to town.

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Dr. T. Gillman Moorhead has returned to town.

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Dr. T. Garratt Hardman has returned to 32 Lower Baggot street.

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Mr. Ralph H. Ford has returned to 4 Clare street.

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Mr. S. G. Reeves has returned to 12 Clare street.

Switzer's Sale commences to-day. Prices Reduced in all Departments.

Holmes' Sale commences to-day (Monday).—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South Great George's street.

First delivery of New Spring Millinery.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South Great George's street.

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Great Reductions during Winter Sale now proceeding.—Campbell and Strahan, Ltd., 11 Wicklow street.

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Departures—Mrs. Wentworth Taylor, H. W. Taylor, Miss Doris Odlum, R. L. Pim, Mrs. D. Haworth, Miss Lucie Patterson, O. E. Shanahan, D. Vernon, Mrs. Chivers, Captain H. H. Jackson, Miss J. Lanphier, R. F. E. Chute, James A. Jackson, D. Jackson.

Other Arrivals and Departures will be found in "Dublin and the Provinces."

McBirney and Co.'s Great Winter Sale, this and coming days. Write for Price List.

The Mansfield Sisters—Great Sale now on. Don't miss the bargains to be had in Millinery, Furs, Gowns and Sports Wear.—23 Wicklow street.

A Great Sale of Boys' and Youths' High-class Clothing and Outfitting now on. Genuine Bargains at "Our Boys'" House, 24 Wicklow street.

Annual Winter Sale now proceeding. Genuine Reductions in all Departments.—Davis and Co., 45 Grafton street.

Furniture Stored in our new Fireproof Depository.—Millar and Beatty, Ltd.

Half Price Sale, Evening Gowns, Dance Frocks, etc.—Madame Owen, 11 Dawson st.

A few Model Overcoats and Furs clearing at cost.—Hoffman, 35 Exchequer street.

Gibson and Co., Ladies' Tailors. Specialists in designing and cutting. All models made on the premises. Inspection invited.—141 Lr. Baggot st.

WEATHER FORECAST.

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MUSSOLINI ACTS.

GUARDING THE RAILWAYS.

ROME EXCITED.

NO OPPOSITION PERMITTED.

DRAMATIC SPEECH IN THE CHAMBER.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Sunday.

The Ministers of War and of the Interior, the Commander of the Troops, and the Chief of Police had a long conference with Signor Mussolini last night. The decisions announced officially as the result of this meeting are—

- **To mobilise immediately the railway troops, and occupy the main railway lines with troops.**
- **To close all places that might be used for political meetings.**
- **To authorise the local authorities to instruct commanders to mobilise the militia in their districts.**

These dramatic developments followed Signor Mussolini's declaration in the Chamber yesterday, that "within forty-eight hours the situation will be clarified, not because I want it, but we love our country."

This mysterious threat was uttered in the course of a speech delivered by the Italian Dictator before a crowded Chamber, amid frantic cheering and the singing of Fascist war songs. He charged the Opposition with seeking to overthrow the dynasty and proclaim a Republic.

A THEATRICAL SPEECH.

He started his address in theatrical fashion by reading Article 47 of the Constitution, which gives the Chamber power to impeach a Minister.

"In there anyone here," he asked in stentorian tones, "who is prepared to avail himself of this provision?" Whereupon there were wild shouts of "No."

The Dictator denied that he had organised a Cheka, or that any such thing existed in Italy. Then he resumed his oratorical questioning. "Do you believe I ordered the clubbing of Amendo the day after Christmas? I dispense you from believing me such a fool. Do you believe I was silly enough to order Matteotti's murder?"

"No one denies me three qualities—intelligence, courage, and contempt for money," he added, and then told the House that he had endeavoured to give the country peace, but the Opposition had blocked his efforts—an infamous Press campaign began, and for three months the most ghastly lies were printed by men who knew them to be lies.

"I remained calm and unmoved amid the storm," he declared, and after stating his intention of restoring order, he uttered his threat about clarifying the situation within forty-eight hours.

A WILD SCENE.

Assuming a dramatic attitude, Signor Mussolini exclaimed: "Before this Assembly, representative of the entire Italian people, I declare I assume full historical, political, and moral responsibility for what has happened. If it be a crime to rally round me the best Italian youths, then I proclaim myself the chief of this criminal association."

At these words the Fascist majority jumped to their feet and cheered themselves hoarse, while Signors Salandra, Giotti, Orlanda, and their followers sat in significant silence.

During a suspension of the sitting, these dissident groups held a meeting to consider the situation. Signor Salandra formally announced that he would join the Opposition, which, it is said, will create a split in his group.

On the sitting being resumed, the ex-combatants' group presented a motion, deploring the measures taken against the Press, but Signor Mussolini refused a debate on the matter, and the Chamber adjourned *sine die*, after reporting favourably on the new electoral bill.

MORE PAPERS SUPPRESSED.

More papers were seized yesterday in various provincial towns, among them the *Stampa, Corrierre Citradino,* and *Giustizia.*

The general opinion is that if the elections should produce a Left majority, a Giolitti-Amendola Cabinet would arrest and impeach Mussolini for high treason.

Great excitement prevails in Rome.

Groups of armed Fascists are parading the city, making hostile demonstrations in front of the offices of Opposition papers. An attempt by armed Fascisti bands to raid and destroy the plant of one paper was foiled.

FASCISTI PARADES.

MANŒUVRES IN ROME WITH MACHINE GUNS.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Sunday.

It is alleged that subversive elements had planned to produce a state of anarchy by securing possession of the railways, and had already set on foot several attempts at terrorism, causing fires at various railway stations, and were planning other acts of vandalism.

The Government has ordered the reinforcement of the Fascist Railway Militia, who are given the principal credit for the restoration of the normal working of the railways, the wiping out of the big railway deficits, and the stamping out of railway robberies.

It has also instructed all Prefects throughout the country to continue their searches of houses and offices of dangerous leaders of the subversive elements and their political clubs, and to dissolve the latter when proved guilty of conspiring against the interests of the country.

The authorities express a belief that these measures, together with the determined maintenance of their muzzling policy in respect of the Opposition Press, will curtail the strength of the Opposition leaders.

The Prefects have further been authorised, where necessary, to mobilise the local Fascist Militia, in order to assist the police and carabiniers in safeguarding public order and protecting the vital interests of the nation.

Signor Mussolini's speech in the Chamber yesterday has been received in Fascist quarters throughout Italy with great enthusiasm. Numerous demonstrations were organised to express satisfaction at what is called a revival of the Fascist spirit.

In Milan the Fascist leaders delivered speeches acclaiming Signor Mussolini, and processions were formed, which went to the offices of the *Popolo d'Italia,* Signor Mussolini's organ, and expressed devotion to the Premier and readiness to follow him wherever he leads.

Attempts made to reach the offices of the *Corriere Della Sera,* and other Opposition newspapers, were defeated by the police and troops, who guarded the offices of these journals, and also the Freemasons' Lodges.

The most characteristic demonstrations occurred in Rome, where a local legion of Fascist Militia, 1,400 strong, carried out tactical manœuvres with a machine gun, a cyclists' section acting as scouts. The idea of the manœuvres was that the city had to be defended against invasion by a supposed enemy landed at Civita Vecchia.

After the operations the entire contingent was reviewed by General Gandolopho, the newly-appointed Supreme Commander of Militia, who was thus initiated into his new position.

General Gandolopho has addressed an order of the day to the Fascist, praising the way in which the manœuvres were carried out, the military spirit displayed by them, and their martial bearing. Afterwards the entire contingent of militia entered Rome through the Popolo Gate, and paraded through the Corso, the ancient historical central thoroughfare of the city, in their typical Fascist formation, three abreast, recalling the days of the march on Rome.

The band played their own war hymn, "*Giovinezza,*" and the artillery section carried machine guns on their shoulders. The parade was led by Colonel Candaleri, who was so much attacked in Signor Rossi's memorandum, and he was accompanied by Signor Farinacci, a leading exponent of uncompromising Fascism.

THE LIQUOR ACT.

CHEMISTS WHO HOLD WINE LICENCES.

POSITION UNCERTAIN.

The Government Publicity Department last Saturday issued the following:—

Statements have recently appeared in a section of the Press to the effect that chemists in the D.M.P. area who hold licences for the sale of wines are prohibited by the Intoxicating Liquor General Act, 1924, from opening their premises for the sale of other commodities during prohibited hours.

That is not so. The effect of the Act is that during these hours they may open their premises, but may not sell, or expose for sale, any wines. To avoid any possible confusion, the D.M.P. and the Garda Siothchana have now been definitely instructed as to the position.

Our representative, who has been investigating the matter writes:—

"The statement in the *Irish Times* of last Saturday that the police in the Dublin Metropolitan area have notified chemists who hold wine licences that their premises came under the new Intoxicating Liquor Act is correct. Other wine licence holders have also been similarly notified. In one police division alone ten cases of alleged infringement of the Act in this respect have been reported, and instructions asked for as to prosecution.

All holders of those licences may not have been notified. The fact is that the police do not know exactly who hold wine licences. These are granted solely by the Excise authorities, and they are held by chemists, grocers, restaurants and tea room proprietors, and even by owners of hucksters' shops. There are so many of them in Dublin that when the police were instructed a few weeks ago to make out a list they had no means of doing so except to go around and find out for themselves street by street.

The statement of the Publicity Department purports to give "The Effect of the Act." The wording of the Act itself in respect to this matter is:—

"Where any business other than the sale of intoxicating liquor is carried on in any licensed premises, the whole of such premises shall be closed during the hours in which the sale of intoxicating liquor is prohibited, unless the portion of such premises in which such sale is carried on is structurally separated from the remainder thereof."

Up to yesterday afternoon neither the Dublin Metropolitan Police nor the Garda Siotchana had been "definitely instructed as to the position." So far, all they have got to go on is Section 1, Sub-section 2 of the Act.

CORK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

STRAW ENVELOPE INDUSTRY PROPOSED.

At the monthly meeting of the Cork Chamber of Commerce, Mr. T. F. O'Leary, presiding, it was reported that the Ministry of Agriculture had written saying that, in view of the necessity for precautions against the introduction of foot-and-mouth disease into the Free State, the embargo on the import of straw envelopes cannot be raised. "The Minister would, however, be glad," said the letter, "to see maturing the suggested alternative project of establishing an industry for the manufacture of straw envelopes."

It was decided to take up with the Ministry of Industry and Commerce the matter of establishing a manufactory for straw envelopes.

On the proposal of Mr. P. Crowley, seconded by the President, it was decided to recommend to the Ministry of Industry and Commerce participation by the Free State in the Imperial Exhibition at Wembley in 1926, and to invite interested firms to communicate with the Secretary of the Chamber.

Mr. J. C. Foley stated that the Revenue Commissioners had ruled that in the case of firms passing their own entries for imported dutiable goods the Customs clearance charges made by shipping companies should be reduced by 50 per cent. of the existing rates, and that such reduction should be made retrospective to April, 1923, the date when such charges were originally made. The meeting expressed its approval of the decision of the Commissioners, but at the same time objected to the flat rate charged for Customs clearances.

DEARER BREAD IN BRITAIN.

HALFPENNY RISE THIS WEEK.

It is expected that the British loaf will be a halfpenny dearer this week, bringing the price to tenpence-halfpenny. The bakers claim that the rise is inevitable, and has been forced on the trade.

"We must increase the cost of bread, for the price of flour is 2s. 6d. per sack higher than it has been for the last three years, and the cost of the loaf has not been advanced in proportion," declared Mr. A. Noyes, secretary of the London Master Bakers' Protection Society.

"The cost of production," he added, "has also increased, and overhead charges are more than a hundred per cent. higher than they were in 1914, while the price of the loaf has only been advanced 95 per cent."

The position will be further considered at conferences of the Master Bakers' Society, and the wholesalers.

MR. FRANK CARTY

ARRESTED IN COUNTY DOWN.

The Ulster police have taken into custody Frank Carty, a Republican member of the Dail, who represents the Sligo-Leitrim constituency.

He was apprehended during a visit to friends in the vicinity of Hilltown, County Down. He was first removed to Newry, and was afterwards taken to Belfast, and is at present in Crumlin Road Prison.

The arrest is described as being a precautionary measure. The authorities are considering what action will be taken.

It is not unlikely that an exclusion order will be served on Mr. Carty, and that he will be given an opportunity to cross the border.

Francis J. Carty, farmer, of Clooncunny, Ballinacarrow, Co. Sligo, is aged 30 years, and was commandant of the 4th Battalion, Sligo Brigade, I.R.A. He was elected Sinn Fein member for Sligo and Mayo (East) in May, 1921, and was Chairman of the Tubbercurry Urban District Council. He was arrested by the R.I.C. early in 1920, but escaped from Sligo Jail while awaiting trial. He was re-arrested at Moyleugh in November of the same year, but escaped, being afterwards re-arrested at Tubbercurry in February, 1921. On 8th August, 1921, he was released to attend peace discussions in his capacity as Dail member, and on that occasion he voted against the Treaty.

CAVAN SURPRISE

MR. MILROY CHOSEN AS CANDIDATE.

73 DELEGATES—84 VOTES.

MYSTERIOUS ELEVEN.

At a *Cumann na nGaedheal* Convention in Cavan yesterday Mr. Sean Milroy was declared selected as candidate at the forthcoming by-election.

It seems improbable that the party's executive committee will approve this choice. The vacancy has been caused by Mr. Milroy's resignation from the Dail as a protest against the Government's policy on certain questions.

The Convention was held in private, and apparently the credentials of the delegates were not scrutinised closely. A division resulted in 43 votes being given for Mr. Milroy and 41 against him.

It was not until these figures had been announced and some of the delegates had left the room that it was discovered that only 73 accredited delegates had been present. Yet eighty-four persons had voted. It was then too late to take another ballot.

STRANGE HAPPENINGS.

SMOKE SCREEN AND MYSTERIOUS VOTES.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

CAVAN, Sunday.

After two and a half hours' wrangling, and the smoking of innumerable pipes of tobacco in a stuffy little room at the Town Hall, the Cumann na nGaedheal Constituency Convention of Cavan to-day selected Mr. Sean Milroy as a standard bearer at the forthcoming by-election.

The Convention's selection of Mr. Milroy as the Government nominee was, frankly, a surprise, but it was not the only surprise which the proceedings yielded. At the close of the meeting one of the counters disclosed to Mr. J. J. Walsh, who presided, that, although Mr. Milroy had been selected by 43 votes to 41, there were actually only 73 accredited delegates present. In other words, the number of ticket holders present was 73, while the ballot disclosed that 84 present voted. When this revelation was made to the Minister for Post and Telegraphs almost half of the delegates had left the room, and it was too late to call a second poll. The majority of votes over ticket-holders will probably lead to exciting discussions, but, so far as this evening's convention is concerned, the only thing that matters is that Mr. Milroy has been selected to stand again for the constituency.

It was a great evening in the Town Hall, and was reminiscent of the palmiest days of old Irish Party conventions. The meeting was timed to begin at 4 p.m., but for a good while before that hour and forty-five minutes after it some of the delegates were deliberating in a local hotel as to the choice that ought to be made. This meeting, of course, was not attended by those favouring reconciliation with the McGrath group. Among those who were present at it were Mr. Kevin O'Higgins and Mr. J. J. Walsh.

CASUAL INSPECTION.

Having come to some decision as to a candidate, this meeting broke up, and the convention proper began to assemble in the Town Hall. Tickets were subjected to a very casual sort of scrutiny as the delegates passed the doorway. Mr. Milroy was one of the first to secure a seat. Among the last arrivals were Mr. O'Higgins and Mr. Walsh. They were accompanied by Mr. Henry O'Hanlon, solicitor, the prospective candidate for South Dublin, who had travelled with them from Dublin by motor car this morning.

The first business of the meeting was to exclude the Press. When this had been done, tongues wagged freely enough. The Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, who was head of the special Reorganising Committee of Cumann na nGaedheal, was moved to the chair. The delegates then took out their pipes and cigarettes, and quickly succeeded in filling the stuffy little room with smoke. It was in this atmosphere that the Convention composed itself to listen to the impassioned oratory of Mr. Milroy and the quiet, sober tones of voice of the Minister of Justice.

Those of us—and we numbered quite as many as those within—who had our ears flattened at intervals against the wooden panels from which enclosed the meeting, heard Mr. Milroy's views on national policy and his bitter complaints about the enormous defects of the present Administration. Mr. O'Higgins talked quietly, and, at least, half of the Convention thought, convincingly. So did Mr. Walsh and many others. Mr. Blythe's speech at the last Convention was discussed, and replied to by Mr. Milroy. The secession of Mr. McGrath's Party, the latest efforts at reconciliation, and the why and wherefore were all debated vigorously and of great length.

THE VOTING.

Motions to adjourn the Convention and to do several other things were discussed and voted on, until finally when no more tobacco smoke could find space in the Chamber the names of Mr. Milroy and Mr. T. F. McKenna, a prominent local farmer and merchant, were proposed for selection by the meeting. A ballot followed, and after that the announcement that Mr. Milroy had been selected by 43 votes to 41 came as a shock for Mr. McKenna. An outburst of cheering and loud clapping greeted the result.

The Chairman having intimated that the Convention's decision would be conveyed to the Executive Committee of Cumann na nGaedheal, the delegates began to disperse. It was then that a counter made the discovery that the number of votes recorded exceeded the number of ticket holders by 11. It was too late to call a second ballot and the Chairman left the room.

That to-day's proceedings will produce developments of an interesting character there can be no question. It is a reasonable assumption that the Executive Committee of the Organisation will decline to ratify the Cavan selection, and in that event another convention may be held; but it is just as likely that a selection will be made in Dublin. One may be quite certain that Mr. Milroy will not stand as the Government nominee at the election, but in view of to-day's result he may decide, with the support of the constituency convention, to oppose whatever candidate the Government may put forward in the constituency.

ROSCOMMON.

Speaking at Roscommon yesterday, Mr. J. J. O'Kelly, Republican candidate, said that there was a great deal of fuss in the newspapers about the large sums of money which the Government was contributing for land purchase in Ireland. Those offers of the Government were only bribes to the people, and were only a flea-bite if they considered the millions and millions of money of which England had robbed the Irish people.

KILKENNY.

The Cumann na nGaedheal convention which was to have been held at Kilkenny yesterday for the selection of a candidate at the by-election did not take place. It will be held next Sunday, and in the meanwhile it is hoped steps will be taken to unite all supporters of the Treaty in the constituency.

EGYPTIAN ELECTIONS.

NINE UNOPPOSED RETURNS.

CAIRO, Sunday.

Nominations for the new Chamber closed to-day. The candidates for the 215 seats comprise 207 Zaghlulists, 35 Watanists and 250 Liberal Constitutionalists and Independents. Unopposed returns number nine, including five supporters of Zaghlul Pasha, as compared with 37 unopposed returns, including 30 Zaghlulists, at the last election. Two more Senators resigned their membership of the Zaghlulist Party to-night, giving as their reason that they do not consider Zaghlul Pasha loyal to King Fuad.—(Reuter.)

NORTHERN EDUCATION ACT.

VIGOROUS DEMAND FOR AMENDMENT.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION.

FROM OUR BELFAST CORRESPONDENT.

Since the passing of the Northern Education Act there has been a growing agitation against certain provisions in the Act which, it is declared, will eventually secularise the schools to a greater extent than under any elementary school system in operation in the British Isles.

The main principles of the Act are generally approved, but the hostility to the religious instruction clauses is becoming more pronounced. A United Education Committee of the Protestant Churches in Northern Ireland has circulated a pamphlet demanding an Amending Act to bring these clauses into conformity with the wishes of the great majority of the people. The Moderator of the General Assembly is president of the Committee. The Bishop of Derry, the Bishop of Clogher, Dr. Henry Montgomery, Dr. Strahan and the Archdeacon of Dromore are the vice-presidents; and the honorary secretaries, the Rev. W. Corkey, the Rev. W. H. Smyth and the Rev. James Quinn.

The circular states that the new system seems indeed well calculated to promote secular knowledge, but it seems no less designed to extinguish religion in elementary schools.

It is asserted in the pamphlet that "Lord Londonderry absolutely turned down" the recommendations of the Lynn Committee, that religious instructions should be given in all schools as heretofore on a programme agreed to by the Churches. Those recommendations would have ensured the giving of simple Bible instruction to the Protestant children in all public elementary schools, but the provisions of the Act tend to secularise the schools. There is no safeguard in the Act for the appointment of suitable teachers, and the assertion that religious instruction is as secure under the Act as it was under the Commissioners of National Education is not true. There is nothing in the Act to prevent the entire disappearance of religious instruction from transferred or provided schools.

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS.

Summing up on the position the pamphlet says:—

"This Act has taken away from the people of Ulster two fundamental rights which they hitherto possessed in the education of their children:

"1. Under the Commissioners of National Education the education authority, who was the manager, had the right to inquire into the religious belief of the teacher, and to appoint teachers of the same faith as the children or the majority of the children. The Commissioners themselves, or managers of the Model Schools, always inquired into the religion of teachers before making an appointment. The Education Act takes away that right. By that Act, Section 66 (3), the education authority is not permitted to take the question of religion into account in appointing teachers. This takes away the guarantee which parents have a right to demand—namely, that suitable teachers shall be appointed to teach their children.

"2. Under the Commissioners of National Education the education authority had the right to require that religious instruction be given by the teaching staff. The Commissioners required such instruction by teachers in the Model Schools. This right has also been taken away by the Education Act, Section 26, which says the 'education authority shall not provide religious instruction.' Religious instruction, which was assured to the Protestant children of Ulster under the Commissioners, may be dropped now in every school in Ulster, since no provision is made for it in the Act.

"The Prime Minister of the British Parliament, the Right Hon. Stanley Baldwin, in his recent election addresses to education, pledged himself to 'the maintenance of the rights of parents to have their children brought up in the religion to which they are attached.' We in Ulster claim the maintenance of these same rights to our children 'brought up in the religion to which we are attached': rights which we have enjoyed for almost a century, but which have been filched from us by the Education Act.

"The secularising provisions in the Act are not only opposed to the weighty views of the Lynn Committee, but to the sentiment of all the Evangelical Protestant Churches in Ulster, which have passed strong resolutions demanding an Amending Act.

"Similar resolutions demanding an Amending Act have been unanimously passed by the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland and by the Imperial Grand Black Chapter of the British Commonwealth, which surely voice the opinion of Protestant laymen. To refuse to amend the Act in face of such a united sentiment is what the American call 'putting it across Ulster.'

"To sum up: these secularising clauses of this Act, as long as they remain on the Statute Book, will be a standing challenge to the Protestant people of Ulster. If communists or atheists may become teachers of the youth of Ulster, as they may under the Act, and if Bible instruction may be dropped in any provided or transferred school, as it may under the Act, then Protestant managers are fully justified in refusing to transfer their schools and in requesting their representatives in the Northern Government to give them an Amending Act which will maintain 'the rights of parents to have their children brought up in the religion to which they are attached' in transferred or provided schools."

OLD MAN MURDERED.

HOUSE SET ON FIRE TO HIDE THE CRIME.

A shocking crime was committed in the early hours of Saturday morning in the County Fermanagh, the victim being a ninety-year-old man, named John McConnell, of Clontycoore, Innishowen Island.

Neighbours, noticing that McConnell's house was on fire, rushed to the scene, as the old man lived alone. Entering the burning building they took his body from the bed and carried it outside. It was only slightly burned.

The Lisbellaw police, on being summoned, found that the old man's head had been battered in with some blunt instrument. An attempt to burn the house, apparently to hide the crime, was frustrated, the fire having been put out before the body was consumed.

It is stated that the police have made an arrest.

PORTUGAL RECOGNISES RUSSIA.

COMMERCIAL TREATY WITH GERMANY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LISBON, Sunday.

The Portuguese Council of Ministers has decided, by a majority vote, to recognise the Soviet Republic of Russia.

A Commercial Treaty between Portugal and Germany has been signed. Its duration is for a year, and accords to the signatory countries most favoured nation terms.

WEALTH FROM THE GRAVE.

CURIOUS STORY FROM SPAIN.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Sunday.

While begging in the streets on Christmas Day, a woman at Alicante, Spain, learned from a gutter merchant that she was entitled to £6,000, and has now received the money under extraordinary circumstances.

Her ate husband, a man named Golila, died shortly before the holiday, and his widow was recognised by a man who had known him. He told her that Colila had taken a share in a ticket which had won a prize in a great Christmas lottery. When she failed to find at home the voucher for the transaction, a neighbour suggested that it might still be in the waistcoat in which her husband had been buried.

An exhumation order was obtained, and the coupon for his part of the winning ticket was found in the pocket.

FRENZIED FINANCE.

BOOM ON NEW YORK EXCHANGE.

PANIC BUYING.

HEAVIEST DEALING FOR 20 YEARS.

NEW YORK, Sunday.

The heaviest and most spectacular trading recorded for twenty years past was witnessed in the Stock Market here yesterday, when the bullish enthusiasm of the public broke out of bounds, and a million and a half shares changed hands in the short Saturday session of two hours.

Fifty stocks eclipsed their 1924 high records, and when the market closed at noon the ticker was so far behind that it continued printing transactions for forty-three minutes.

The "bears," who had been sulking in their dens since the post-election boom, had gleefully anticipated that the new year would bring a reaction; but yesterday they were again driven in panic-stricken rout to make good their short sales on a rising market.

The market proceeded at so rapid a pace that it was literally impossible for brokers to execute the mass of orders that poured into the Exchange, and from the moment of opening till the close the floor was a perfect bedlam, the brokers screaming frantically in frenzied groups and frequently climbing on to each other's shoulders in their efforts to get their commissions executed.

Steel Common Shares, which are usually regarded as a barometer of the industrial situation, touched 123¼, the highest price paid since mid-war days.—(Press Association.)

TRAGEDY OF THE SEA.

SIX DEAD MEN ADRIFT IN OPEN BOAT.

PARIS, Sunday.

Details of the wreck of the Spanish steamer Alfredo have now been given by Captain Luis Martinez Conde, who is among the survivors. His tells of a terrible struggle in the midst of the tempest which has been raging in the Channel and off the Brittany coast during the last few days.

The Alfredo, a steamer of 950 tons, and built as long ago as 1892, was bound for Bayonne from England with a cargo of coal on December 29th. Seas broke over the vessel, the engine-room was flooded and the vessel took on a serious list.

The ship's wireless sent out repeated "S.O.S." calls, which were picked up, but no vessel succeeded in reaching the Alfredo, which had to be abandoned at 4 o'clock in the morning. The crew, which, with the captain, numbered nineteen, left in one boat and stood by until the vessel went down.

They had no food or water aboard, and were scantily clothed. One after another six men collapsed from fatigue and exposure. At 7 p.m. on December 30th the boat reached Prajou with six dead men on board and thirteen living members of the crew. Of the latter, nearly all were so exhausted that they could do nothing but lie helpless on the deck. Some of the least affected went to fetch help from the village. Meanwhile, the boat, which had been insecurely anchored, drifted away with the six bodies still on board, and no further trace of it has been found.—(Reuter.)

STEAMER ON WELSH COAST.

Early yesterday morning the Greek steamer Emmanuel, 2,490 tons, bound from Manchester to Cardiff, got into difficulties at Skokholm Island, Pembrokeshire. The captain endeavoured to make for shelter, but the vessel was driven on the rocks. The St. David's lifeboat and life-saving apparatus proceeded to the spot, and all on board were saved and taken into St. David's. Unless the weather moderates it is feared that the steamer will become a total wreck.

"S.O.S." MYSTERY.

CAPE TOWN, Sunday.

No further light has been shed on the mystery of the S.O.S. signal which was picked up by the steamer Diogenes on December 31 when it believed to emanate from the Norwegian steamer Erivan, which had last been heard of at Kerguelen. The Erivan had a crew of twenty-five, and was the only ship at Kerguelen fitted with wireless. Consequently, the fate of the vessel cannot be known for some time. Messrs. Irwin and Johnston, South Africa, Ltd., are despatching a rescue ship specially fitted with wireless to Kerguelen.—(Reuter.)

STORM HAVOC IN THE BALTIC.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

RIGA, Sunday.

The Baltic Rum Fleet, carrying large cargoes of contraband liquor, have suffered severe losses in the heavy storms of the past few days. Several Esthonian, German, and Russian boats stationed off the Finnish coast suffered very serious damage, and were compelled to seek shelter in Esthonian harbours, while other German and Russian ships, which have been smuggling contraband vodka into Esthonia and Latvia, have had to seek shelter in Swedish ports. The recent storms have enacted a heavy toll of the lives of Baltic fishermen. Twenty are reported to have been drowned in attempting to save their nets.

DEFENCELESS NEW YORK.

ALARMING STATEMENT BY A GENERAL.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Sunday.

The startling statement that any enemy battle fleet with a proper air squadron could walk right into New York was made by General Mason Patrick, Chief of the United States Army Air Service, before the House of Representatives Appropriations Sub-Committee yesterday.

General Patrick's statement has created some amazement. "Any hostile fleet that approaches our shores is bound to have aircraft with it," declared the General. "All the batteries you can place on Far Rockaway and other Long Island points, if we had no defending air force, could be rapidly put out of commission, and the enemy fleet could sail right into New York."

General Patrick strongly urged a ten years building programme, with twenty-five million dollars annually to bring the United States Air Force up to proper strength.

MISTAKEN FOR ASSASSIN.

CURIOUS AFFAIR IN REVAL.

REVAL, Sunday.

The arrest of an individual in the garden of General Laidonner, the Commander-in-Chief, last night, gave rise to a rumour in the city that an attempt had been made to kill the General.

According to official information, however, there is no confirmation of the report that the General's life was in danger. The arrested man was snot found in possession of arms, and declared that he had lost his way in the garden. He appears to be suffering with a mental malady.

General Laidonner was appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Esthonian Army, with full powers, when martial law was proclaimed last month during the Communist disturbances.—(Reuter.)

Rood Ashton, Wiltshire, the seat of the late Viscount Long of Wraxall, is to be let, with 4,400 acres of shooting.

LATE NEWS.

SECOND TEST MATCH.

TWO WICKETS FALL FOR ONE RUN.

WOOLLEY FAILS: HOBBS OUT 154.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

The weather was glorious to-day when, in the presence of 12,000 spectators, Hobbs and Sutcliffe went out to continue their innings on a wicket which appeared to be perfect.

M.C.C.—FIRST INNINGS.

Hobbs b Mailey	154
Sutcliffe not out	126
Woolley b Gregory	0
Extras	6
Total (2 wkts.)	284

INTER-ALLIED DEBTS.

COMING CONFERENCES.

Telegraphing from Paris last night *The Times* Correspondent states:—It might almost be imagined from the amount of space devoted in the French Press to inter-Allied debts that this question, if not in itself the principal question for discussion at the Conference of Allied Finance Ministers which opens here on Wednesday, was at least upon the agenda of the Conference. There is something almost ludicrous in the manner in which, by accident as it were, this subject has come to bulk so largely in the public mind as completely to overshadow the true objects of the conference. In any case, it is definitely announced from Washington that the American representatives at the conference have received formal instructions not to take part in any discussions relating to the problem of inter-Allied debts.

The primary object of the conference is to settle various questions of inter-Allied finance, on which the experts who have been sitting in Paris for the past couple of months have not been able to reach an agreement. The two chief questions are:—

1.—What is to be done with the receipts obtained from the occupation of the Ruhr?

2.—How are the first annuities which are to be paid by Germany under the Dawes scheme to be disposed of?

These two chief questions raise a number of incidental points, some of which are exceedingly controversial and are likely to prove very difficult to settle. It has become a habit in international conferences since the war for a settlement of hotly-contested points to be obtained by one or other of the parties making a concession in some other sphere with which the conference has officially nothing to do. This will probably again be the case this week. In this way a step forward may be made in the question of inter-Allied debts, although it does not form part of the material for discussion.

ATLANTIC GALES.

ELEVEN INCHES OF SNOW IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Sunday.

The gales which have prevailed on the Atlantic for the last ten days are reported to have moderated, and wireless messages from belated vessels report that they are now making better speed. The White Star liner Adriatic, which should have reached New York to-day, will not arrive until Tuesday morning. The French liner Paris arrived to-day, 24 hours late. The Anchor liner Assyrian, which left Glasgow on December 29, is 48 hours late. Other smaller vessels and freighters are between two and five days overdue.

The blizzard which visited the Atlantic seaboard on Friday blew itself out yesterday morning, but not until eleven inches of snow had fallen in New York. The temperature rose rapidly after the storm. The thaw did nearly as much as the 16,000 shovellers and 600 trucks to clear the streets, and by this morning the most important thoroughfares were open to traffic, though piles of snow six feet high stand at frequent intervals along the kerbs on Broadway.

Five persons in New Jersey and New York were killed by cold or exhaustion after they had lost their way in the blinding storm.

The Aquitania, which left New York for Southampton yesterday, was delayed several hours in her departure. By sailing time only half her first-class passengers had been able to reach her, through the snow-blocked streets. Lord and Lady Cecil, who are among her passengers, had to leave their motor car several hundred yards from the pier and wade through the snow for the remainder of the distance.—*The Times* Correspondent.

THE SUN'S ECLIPSE.

A FORTY-FIVE FOOT CAMERA.

The Times Correspondent at Toronto telegraphed yesterday:—Long's Corner, a hamlet on the Niagara escarpment, four miles south of Hamilton, has been chosen by the University of Toronto and the temporary Government observatories as the best point from which to observe the eclipse of the sun on January 24. Among the instruments to be used by the University observers is a special 45-foot camera. It is hoped by this to secure pictures at least five inches in diameter.

It is stated that the shadow of the complete eclipse will strike Canada near Goderich, on Lake Huron, and follow a swathe 100 miles wide across the counties of Huron, Bruce, Wellington, Peel and York. Hamilton, London, Toronto, and St. Catherines, with Long's Corner will be exactly on the centre of the line.

MOUNTAINEERS SWEPT AWAY.

GENEVA, Sunday.

A party of young mountaineers were swept away by an avalanche above Sixt, in the Haute Savoie, to-day. A young man named Henri Moehr, aged 21, was killed. His body was taken back to Sixt.—(Reuter.)

ACCIDENT TO EXPRESS TRAIN.

Passengers on the Liverpool to York express had a startling experience at Lostock, near Bolton, yesterday afternoon. When crossing the points the train of ten carriages left the rails and did considerable damage to the permanent way. Fortunately, the train was travelling at only about fifteen miles an hour at the time.

In the first carriage was a theatrical company, two members of which suffered from shock. Two doctors in the train attended to eight passengers for shock, and all were able to proceed. One line was blocked for several hours.

SMOKE AND WIRELESS.

The smoke of a factory chimney or any other large and hot fire usually contains many electrified particles, and is a fairly good conductor of electricity. Therefore, if you try to operate a radio set in the shadow of a lot of smoking chimneys, you may have trouble, due to the absorption of the radio energy by the smoke cloud in much the same way in which energy is absorbed by a steel building. The small amount of smoke given off by a house chimney is not enough to have any appreciable effect.—(*The Radio Times.*)

TROTSKY STILL IN MOSCOW.

MOSCOW, Saturday.

The Rosta Agency says that there is no truth in the reports published abroad of disturbances connected with the reported departure from Moscow of Trotsky, who is still in the capital.—(Reuter.)

The French Government has appointed M. Paul Boncour as Deputy French representative on the Committee of the Council of the League of Nations. M. Paul Boncour will, in this capacity, sit on the Co-ordination Committee for the reduction of armaments which has been convened for February 16th, replacing M. Briand.—(Reuter.)

FLOODS STILL RISING.

EXTENSIVE DAMAGE IN IRELAND.

RAILWAY TRAINS DELAYED.

DISTRESS REPORTED IN MANY PLACES.

Reports from the South and West of Ireland continue to speak of the great damage caused by flooding owing to rivers having burst their banks. In some places long stretches of railway lines are under water, and cattle have been lost. Near Shannon Harbour, where almost a mile of the line is under water, a train was stopped for some time by haycocks which were floating in the flood on the permanent way.

ANOTHER STORM IN THE SOUTH.

LATE ARRIVAL OF TRAINS AND BOATS.

The week-end saw a renewal of the storm and floods in Cork and all over the South of Ireland. After a squally day, rain commenced to fall heavily on Saturday evening, and continued, accompanied by a high south-westerly wind, until three o'clock yesterday morning. The country became more flooded, and very large tracts of the County Cork have been converted into lakes. Passengers on the various railway systems state that the trains ran through miles of water in different localities without a break. Farmers have suffered severely. Numbers of sheep have been drowned, and the feeding of cattle outside is extremely difficult owing to the continuous high wind. In districts around the city much flooding has taken place. The River Lee from the city westward has overflown its banks, and miles of roads are under water. The Blackpool district also is badly flooded.

In the city itself heavy rains have brought down sand and gravel from the higher districts, and on Saturday night there was considerable difficulty in getting tramcars to the higher levels. Fortunately the flooding in the city has not been serious. In the lower levels water has risen in the streets to an extent that makes pedestrianism unpleasant, but little damage has been done.

Outside the harbour mountainous seas are raging, and ships arriving at the port speak of the terrible seas of the past twenty-four hours. The Belfast steamer, Wicklow Head, arrived safely during Saturday night from Continental ports. The City of Cork Steampacket Company's steamer, Moorfowl, was due to arrive from Fishguard about 10 o'clock yesterday morning, but had not arrived up to last evening. It was then stated that owing to trouble with her bunkers her departure from Fishguard was postponed until last night. The s.s. Bandon, which was due to arrive in Cork at about 5 o'clock yesterday evening, did not arrive for three hours later.

The Roslare train, which was due at noon, did not reach the city until four hours later owing to the delay in the arrival of the Fishguard boat and the floods on the line. Yesterday was cold and dull, with occasional showers, and in the evening frost set in. Nearly all Gaelic and Association football matches fixed for the week-end had to be abandoned owing to the flooding of the grounds.

THE ENNIS FLOODS.

BOAT IN THE STREETS.

The first sign of improvement as regards the Ennis floods was visible on Saturday morning. Mill street was partially free of water. The quays and lanes are still flooded. In Corkally lane two houses partially collapsed. In Doona, a short distance outside the town, a family were isolated during the week, and could only be reached by boat.

On Friday evening a boat was rowed through Parnell street, one of the principal streets in Ennis. This was the only means of delivering provisions to many households.

Fifty women were accommodated in the County Hospital and a similar number of necessitous people in the County Home. Had it not been for the prompt action taken by the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Catholic and Protestant Emergency Relief Committees in arranging for these removals and providing coal and food supplies for stricken families the result of the floods would have been very grave. Dr. Fogarty, Bishop of Killaloe, paid a personal visit to the flooded houses that it was possible to reach, and did all in his power to relieve the distress.

COUNTRYSIDE UNDER WATER.

TRAIN DELAYED BY FLOATING HAY.

Friday night was a time of terror in the flooded area of the Shannon. A gale blew from the south-west, accompanied by hail, rain, snow and lightning. Waves rode over the vast expanse of water and washed against abandoned homesteads on the Connaught side of the river. A large number of fowl and young stock that could not be taken away are reported to have perished. Mr. Edward O'Brien, Banagher, rendered invaluable assistance to the people in distress. He was engaged from an early hour in the morning

THE GALE IN ENGLAND.

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with others helping to rescue stock from their flooded byres.

Over a mile of the railway line near Banagher is covered to a depth of from ten to fourteen inches of water. A difficult situation was created on Sunday evening, when the outgoing train was held up near Shannon Harbour by rocks of hay which were floating between the rails. A considerable time elapsed before the line was cleared and the train could proceed. During the night gangs of men were banking the line to keep the ballast from being washed away. People living in the low-lying area of Shannon Harbour are confined to the upper portions of their houses. The road to Banagher is impassable, and all the roads leading to the Parish of Lusmagh are covered to a depth of from two to four feet of water. The little Brosna, which runs between the parish and Tipperary, is two miles wide. A family named Rourke, living near the river, had to be rescued in boats. A woman of ninety years was taken from her bed to a boat.

The public roads leading to Carrick-on-Shannon on both sides of the town are under water at many points. At the quay the depth of the river is nearly eleven feet—four and a half feet above the ordinary level. The people living along the banks of the Shannon in the Leitrim and Roscommon areas are in a pitiable plight. They are badly hit for fining. In many cases turf and crops, which they had stored in heaps on their farms, have been carried away in the floods. Cattle have had to be tied up. A report reached Carrick-on-Shannon on Saturday, but has not been verified, that, owing to the swell of Lake Allen through the heavy rains, there was some danger of the protecting walls of the lake giving away. The lake, which is four or five feet deeper now than usual, is several hundred feet above the lowest level at Carrick-on-Shannon. Rain is still freely falling.

To cope with the distress fifty or sixty tons of English coal arrived in Carrick-on-Shannon on Saturday. It was obtained through the grant from the Government, and is for distribution amongst the recipients of Home Help, the aged and disabled, and the small farming classes. The local clergy are having it carted free by the local shopkeepers to the old jail premises from the railway station.

MAIL CAR HORSES IN FLOOD.

MOTOR CAR PARTY RESCUED.

The floods on the roads around Galway have reached a height of four feet in many places. The mail van driver coming from Headford to Galway on Friday night had to swim his horses through the floods. Near Ardaham a motor car ran into a lake that had been formed on the road. Water swirled over the bonnet of the car, and a hurricane of hailstones, accompanied by vivid flashes of lightning added to the scene. The motor party were rescued with difficulty.

Farms and houses are flooded, and live stock on the farms are suffering acute misery, while sheep rot has devastated farms in South Galway. Owing to the terrible character of the season poor people are without fuel, and are compelled to burn green wood to keep themselves warm.

GALE DAMAGE.

CATTLE LOST IN LONGFORD.

Country people attending the Longford market on Saturday told of the havoc wrought by the gale and the floods. One farmer stated that sixteen acres of his land are submerged. Another declared that, in addition to losing many sheep by "flatting" a number of cattle are missing from his lands. He assumes that they stampeded, and have been drowned in the swollen rivers. Other animals are stated to have been killed by lightning on Friday. Between five and three p.m. on Friday the full fury of the gale was felt in the town of Longford. The Market House, an isolated building, was stripped of tiles and slates, some of which fell through the plate glass window of Mr. O'Keefe's drapery shop in Ballymahon street, one hundred yards away. At the lower end of Main street a number of zinc buckets outside hardware shops were carried away by the wind and damaged.

Trees on the banks of the river Camlin were torn up. Richmond street, Connaught road and Sandy Row, which are at the lowest level, were flooded to a depth of over three feet, and planks had to be used by the inhabitants to go to and from their homes.

DESTRUCTION AT COURTOWN.

Mr. A. Hasard, engineer, of the Fisheries Department, visited Courtown Harbour on Friday and inspected the damage done to the banks adjoining the village by the recent high tides. He was met by Messrs. W. J. Barry, Thomas Traynor, Myles M. O'Donoghue, Sean O'Byrne, the Mayor of Wexford and P. K. Stapleton, Harbour Master. There were sixty fishermen present, who asked for an extension. It is believed that the Department will be asked to grant a loan for the placing of three rows of concrete blocks along the banks for 600 yards to prevent the further inroads of the sea. It is considered that the work will take at least £3,000 to complete, and that about 50 men will be employed.

FARM PRODUCE LOST.

In the Kilbeggan district of King's County water has entered several houses. Serious damage has been caused to farm produce.

In Tullamore the gale was accompanied by snow, hail, thunder and rain. A large tree was blown down at the entrance to Charleville Castle avenue, displacing the massive ornamental piers and masonry and reducing the strong iron railing to a mass of scrap. Bricks were blown off the chimney of the Civic Guard barrack. The country is flooded in all directions, and there is much distress among the poor.

AERODROME DAMAGED.

The aerodrome between Antrim and Aldergrove suffered severely from the storm on Friday, the glass roof being blown off and carried a considerable distance on to the public road, where traffic was temporarily suspended. Portion of the building also was blown down.

TOWNLANDS CUT AWAY.

The gale, which was accompanied by heavy rain and lightning, caused much damage to property about Killeshandra. Some townlands have been cut away by the floods. Roads in many places are impassable, and the poor suffer from the want of fuel. The general outlook is gloomy.

SHOP AND BREADMAN ROBBED.

The victualler's establishment of Messrs. P. and J. Hanlon, at 1 Kenilworth Buildings, Harold's Cross road, Dublin, was entered near closing time on Saturday night by an armed man who called out "Hands up," and then raised 22s. from the cash register. He left the shop immediately.

Earlier in the evening a breadvan driver, named Patrick Corbett, an employé of Messrs. Kennedy, South King street, was stopped by two armed men at Killeen road, Rathmines. The men ordered the driver to hand over his bag, and having pocketed the contents, amounting to £5 or £6, they went away.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT WELSH MINE.

An alarming accident, by which two men were killed and sixteen others narrowly escaped death, occurred at the sinking of the new pit of the Powell Duffryn Company, Llantrisant, Pontypridd, yesterday.

The men were engaged in breaking up portion of the shaft, and were on the staging nearly five hundred yards from the surface of the pit.

A hook laden with bricks was being lowered to the men, when something went wrong with the winding gear. The vessel crashed into the staging, but the majority of the men, fortunately, found safety at the side of the pit.

Ivor Richards, married, of Tonyrefail, and William Butler, married, of Talbot, were, however, killed instantaneously, Butler being thrown into twelve feet of water. Another man named Wright received severe injuries.

POST OFFICE ASSISTANTS.
Limited Competition Announced.
Oral and Correspondence Classes working at SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

The King has sent £1,000 to King Edward's Hospital Fund for London, of which he is the patron.

The lamp that white light diffuses—
Royal "Edison" Pallolite the wise
buyer chooses.
All good dealers sell them.—(Advt.)

INSURANCE ACTS.

NO PAYMENT ON BRITISH CONTRIBUTIONS.

WHY RECIPROCAL PLAN FAILED.

The Free State Government Publicity Department has issued a statement by the Minister for Industry and Commerce on the question of reciprocity in the administration of the Unemployment Insurance Acts.

The Minister says that in 1922 reciprocal arrangements were made between the Provisional Government and the Governments of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, by which contributions paid in either country were recognised in the other for the purpose of determining the amount of benefit to which an insured contributor was entitled. Further, each country regarded employment in an insurable occupation in the other as satisfying the condition for the receipt of "unencumbered benefit which was then in progress."

After the arrangement had been made, inquiry showed that the financial liability in which it involved the Saorstat was disproportionately costly, as about 14,000 migratory labourers crossed to England and Scotland every year worked at insurable occupations, and then, when their employment ended, returned to this country, and claimed benefit against the contributions that they had paid into the British Fund. There was virtually no compensation by way of migration of British workers to the Free State.

The attention of the Ministry of Labour in Great Britain was called to this inequality, and a proposal was made to meet it, but the London Department was disinclined to adopt any method which involved it in any trouble at all. In 1923 there was a conference in London, and it was suggested that the best arrangement would be the payment to the Saorstat of an annual lump sum representing the excess of unexhausted contributions in the British Fund paid by Saorstat workers over the unexhausted contributions of British workers in the Unemployment Fund of this country—about £17,700 a year. The British Ministry of Labour, however, refused to make any arrangement involving financial adjustment.

Dealing with the position of merchant seamen, the Minister says that the 12,000 seamen employed in the Saorstat but employed on British ships are excluded from insurance, and do not pay contributions, though their employers do. The same applies to the thousand British seamen employed on ships owned in the Saorstat. By a reciprocal arrangement the seamen could be brought under the Acts. Assuming that the men were employed for nine months out of the year, it would require a contribution of about £34,000 a year from the British to the Saorstat Fund to give them the full right to benefit in the Saorstat, proportionate to their periods of employment. In view of the British Ministry's attitude, however, there seems little prospect of bringing the men within the Unemployment Insurance Acts on a fair basis.

STOPPED BY NORTH.

"While," says the Minister, "the reciprocal arrangements were being maintained by this country and Great Britain, we became aware towards the end of last year that the Northern Government had, about July, 1924, suspended those arrangements without notice to us. While we were still paying benefit on contributions paid to the Northern Government the Ministry of Labour in Belfast were refusing to pay benefit on contributions paid in the Saorstat.

"Soldiers of the National Army who, after demobilisation returned to their homes in the Six Counties were refused covenanted benefit in respect of contributions paid in the Free State, and had their service in the Army treated, in effect, as a disqualification for uncovenanted benefit. In order to obtain some benefit for these ex-members of the National Army we had to pay their contributions to the Northern Ministry.

"The attitude of the Northern Government towards the question of reciprocal arrangements with the Saorstat seems to be to make it a condition that Unemployment Insurance legislation by the Oireachtas must follow that of Northern Ireland before any such arrangement will be considered."

Mr. McGilligan says that, on the suggestion of the Northern Minister for Labour, he agreed that officials of both Governments should consider the position of Insurance contributors living along the border who could not obtain benefit when unemployed because their residence was outside the jurisdiction where they worked and paid their contributions. The only reply that this Department could get to communications, however, was that "the matter is under consideration, but no satisfactory proposals have been evolved."

Having explained that he had "no alternative" but to bring the reciprocal arrangements to an end on June 29th last in view of the actions of the other Government, Mr. McGilligan says:—

"We are willing to enter into arrangements which will be truly reciprocal; but we cannot regard any proposal as satisfactory which does not provide that we shall have the contributions or their equivalent, in any case in which we are expected to pay benefit. Since the stamps used for the payment of contributions in Great Britain and Northern Ireland are identical in design and it would not be possible by examination of unemployment books to say which of the two Governments received the contributions represented by the stamps on the book, it would apparently be possible to have an arrangement with one of those Governments alone."

Mr. McGilligan adds that:—

"I have communicated the above summary to the Northern Minister of Labour, telling him that I proposed to give it publicity. He has replied to the effect that, in the absence of a formal reciprocity agreement, he did not feel justified in continuing the previous reciprocal arrangement, and that, in his view, the divergence between the Unemployment Insurance system of Saorstat Eireann and Northern Ireland renders impossible a formal reciprocity agreement that would be equitable."

CHRISTIAN UNITY.

SERMON BY PROVOST OF TRINITY COLLEGE.

"Christian Unity" was the subject of the sermon preached at morning Service yesterday in Christ Church Cathedral by the Most Rev. the Provost of Trinity College, Dublin.

Taking as his text the words: "That they may all be one, even as Thou, Father, art in Me, and I in Thee, that they also may be in Us: that the world may believe that Thou didst send Me" (St. John, xvii., 21), he said, in the course of his remarks:—"If we are to move in the right direction we must sometimes pause and look back. What is the conception of Christian unity indicated in St. John's Gospel? It is not quite the same as that suggested by St. Paul. St. Paul thought of Christians as one body organised in God's fashion, so that each member had his appropriate duty. There were divisions in the body even in his time, but he always conceived of its unity as a unity of organisation. Perhaps, that is the ultimate purpose of God for the Church—that it should be one, not only in discipleship, in fellowship, in faith, but one in the complex organisation of its ministry to the world. It may be—I do not know—that a complete unity of Church organisation will at some far distant day vindicate to the world the essential unity of all Christian people. But if you read the chapter in St. John's Gospel from which I took my text, you will find no mention of ecclesiastical organisation. Our Lord's Prayer was "that they all may be one as Thou, Father, art in Me, and I in Thee; that they also may be one in Us: that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me." The unity is to be visible, for the world is to recognise it, and, recognising it, is to be drawn to discipleship. But there is nothing said about an organic unity, such as that which St. Paul speaks of. The unity is in the region of the spirit—"As Thou art in Me, and I in Thee," in that spiritual region where biological analogies will not help us. Unity of organisation is to be a visible unity. Wherein is the unity to appear? Our Lord's words, as reported by St. John, leave us in no doubt as to the answer. "A new Commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another"—not, you observe, a repetition of the old Commandment about loving one's neighbour; but a new Commandment, which laid special emphasis on a Christian man's relation to a brother Christian. "In this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, that ye love one another."

BROTHERHOOD OF MAN.

There is a good deal of talk nowadays about the brotherhood of man, about the duty of recognising in fellowship all men of whatever colour or race. That is a fine idea; but we should observe that Our Lord's new Commandment did not impose, in the first instance, so tremendous or complex a task upon His disciples. It was only "Love one another." This we must learn before we attempt to go any further. And Christendom has not yet learnt that every Christian is bound to every other Christian by this special obligation. When that has been learnt we shall have gone a long way towards the achievement of a united fellowship, which will, at any rate, startle, and may convince, the world. In short, the proof to the world of the common discipleship of Christians is common to Roman, Anglican and Free Churchmen. I think we shall have to consider this matter very gravely if we are to get on with a re-uniting of Christendom by beginning among ourselves, but I know how great the hazards are. Perhaps, we must pray about it more in our several churches, before we are permitted to pray together at His altars for the healing of Christ. But when unity of worship, at least on special occasions, has come to us, we shall go on the more sincerely to consider a possible unity of faith. And when that is reached, unity of organisation will only be a matter of expediency and of time. This, I suggest to you, should be the order of our Christian endeavours. Unity of discipleship we have, and no man can take it from us. Unity of prayer ought to come next, and so to lead to that unity of faith and order which is the eternal purpose of God for the Church, and, therefore, for the world.

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

NEW YEAR PRAYER MEETINGS.—Arrangements have been made for meetings during the Universal Week of Prayer. Particulars for each day will be found in our advertisement columns.

RAILWAYMEN AND COMPENSATION GRANTS.—Kingstown branch of the National Union of Railwaymen has adopted a resolution, endorsing the resolution of the Westland row branch, protesting against the "class distinction" shown in the allocation of grants on the amalgamation of the company.

PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL SOCIETY.—The Irish Auxiliary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel announces in our advertisement columns to-day that the books for the year 1924 will close on January 15. The Rev. Stacy Waddy, the new Secretary of the Society, will speak at anniversary meetings in Dublin during the next Synod Week.

CHILDREN'S BALL AT DALKEY.—A fancy dress ball was given in the Town Hall, Dalkey, last Saturday by Miss Harris and Madame Novello, of the Grafton School of Dancing. Pretty dresses and gay decorations made a charming scene, in which two hundred persons, mainly children, took part. Music was supplied by Miss Conway's and Madame Novello's band. Lady Grace distributed prizes to the children who were very quaintly costumed. Maureen Sargeant, as Jacob's biscuits, won a first prize, and Shiela MacDonald, as Sweet Lavender, a second prize. The first and second prizes for boys were won by Gordon MacFarlane (Silver Shred Marmalade) and Teddy Payne (Jackie Coogan). The carnival dance by the Misses Conway was a feature of an interesting programme of special dances.

WIND MOVES MOTOR VAN.—A verdict of accidental death was returned at an inquest in Monkstown Hospital last Saturday into the death of a youth named McHugh, who died from injuries sustained by being crushed between a motor van and a shop window in Blackrock. The van was left standing with the brakes on, but was moved by the wind, ran down hill and mounted the pavement.

THE LATE MR. ANDREW BELL.—Special Services were held in Rathmines Parish Church yesterday in connection with the dedication of a window in memory of the late Mr. Andrew Bell. The ceremony was carried out by the Rev. E. C. Hodges and Canon Lewis-Crosby. The window represents St. Christopher carrying the Child Christ, and is very soft and opalescent in colouring. In the Morning Service Mr. Hodges said that that day they honoured the memory of Andrew Bell. For many years he had been Secretary of the Select Vestry of that parish, and he himself possessed many gifts and was always ready to do those things that other people would not take up. In the evening the Rev. J. F. Moncrieffe Cox preached on "The Story of St. Christopher."

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.

ARRIVALS.—Mr Hugh Perry, T. Oliver, Mrs. Clery, T. H. Porter, J. Porter, C. L. White, J. McDaniel, H. Laird, Miss Ferrar, B. Wilson, J. Ferris, Mr. and Mrs. Logue, H. Hayward, F. Beardwood, H. Hayward, A. Perry, F. Smith, Miss Smith, J. E. Legget, W. A. Thomas.

DEPARTURES.—B. Hale, Miss A. Mathwin, Miss M. Haugh, Miss N. Delaney, Miss P. Fleming, Miss M. Vaughan, Miss Hall, Miss Holohan, Miss Mathwin, Miss Walsh, Lt.-C. M. Mulcahy, S. Ronan, Miss Dalle, Mr. and Mrs. Bowyer, Mr. and Mrs. Colbert, Mrs. and Miss Elley, Mr. Purser, G. Keenan, T. Kelly, Miss Sheehan, Miss Clifford, Miss M. Walsh, Miss Hanrahan, Miss Hayes, Miss Haughton, Miss Dauncey, Miss Collins, Miss Harvey, Mrs. Yeoman, Mrs. Ray, Miss Connor.

CONNAUGHT.

PUBLICHOUSE *MELEE*.—John Mullen, publican, Ardnaree, Ballina, Co. Mayo, and his brother, Anthony, have been remanded on bail at a local court on a charge of assaulting and obstructing a policeman, who was left in charge of a safe which the authorities desired to search, but for which the key could not be found. As a result of a melee the publican's hand had to be stitched.

POISONED BY POTEEN.—Stephen McGuinness, of Tawrawaddagh, Crossmolina, Ballina, Co. Mayo, has been found dead on a mountain near his house. His death is attributed to over indulgence in poteen, as he had been drinking heavily for the last six weeks. An inquest was deemed unnecessary.

GUN ACCIDENT.—Joseph Morrow, of The Quay, Ballina, who was returning from a shooting expedition, was wounded by the accidental discharge of his gun while he and a companion were pulling the boat clear of the water.

LEINSTER.

TWELVE MONTHS' SICK LEAVE.—The Secretary, King's County Council, has applied for twelve months' sick leave, as he is suffering from neurasthenia and insomnia. He submitted certificates from three doctors. The Commissioner to whom the application was made asked the Secretary if he expected to be paid his full salary while absent, and the Secretary said that it was usual. Commissioner—"Not, surely, for twelve months?" Secretary—"The Civil Service scale is full salary for a period if a person is seriously invalided, and half salary for a further six months if he is not able to resume duty." The Secretary agreed to submit himself to a medical referee.

RACEHORSE MALICIOUSLY WOUNDED.—Hy-Many, a racehorse, the property of Mr. P. Kenny, Coolavuck, Athlone, has been maliciously wounded in the head, chest and foreleg with a sharp instrument. The animal is so badly injured that it may have to be destroyed. An attempt was made to burn a stable at Annagh, Ballymore, containing other horses. No motive can be assigned for the outrage.

FREE STATE EX-SOLDIER ARRESTED.—Last Friday afternoon, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny, police arrested Patrick Morris, an ex-member of the National Army, at a house in Ballylanigan, Mullinahone, on a warrant issued by the Liverpool police. The prisoner is wanted on a charge of larceny from a lodging-house in which he stayed at St. Helen's.

BIRR HOSPITAL FRICTION.—Arising out of some letters of complaint from the Matron of the Birr Tuberculosis Hospital, she asked for an inquiry into the working of the institution, the Commissioner for King's County has stated that there is evidently a lot of friction in that institution. The correspondence will be sent to the Local Government Department with the request for an inquiry.

WOMAN ATTACKED ON ROAD.—Miss Violet Magan, Ardagh Court, Athlone, who was attacked some time ago by a number of armed and masked men, when returning from Rathrobbin, near Tullamore, has regained consciousness, but is unable to give an account of the attack.

CLERICAL WORK AT PIECE RATES.—Temporary clerks in King's County were paid £3 a week for preparing the rate books last year. It is now proposed to have the work done at piece rate, as in other counties.

SCOUTS ENTERTAIN POOR.—Bray Boy Scouts gave an entertainment and tea to 60 poor children in the Florence Hall, Bray, last Saturday. Mrs. McSweeney managed the refreshment department, which afforded the children a hearty Christmas meal. Mr. Charles Miller with his troupe amused them with music and song, and at the conclusion the toys were distributed from a Christmas Tree. The Boy Scouts made excellent hosts, and the whole affair was a very happy success.

MUNSTER.

WHISKEY UNDER STANDARD.—"I don't want to say all over again that the public are entitled to get what they pay for," said the District Justice at Waterford District Court last Saturday when Robert F. Butler, proprietor of the Royal Hotel, Waterford, was fined £5 and £1 costs for exposing for sale whiskey which on analysis proved to be 9.57 per cent. underproof. Bridget Hayes, publican, Coffey House lane, Waterford, was fined £2 and £1 costs in respect of whiskey which was 4.66 per cent. underproof.

POSTAL CLERK'S LAPSE.—Alphonsus O'Brien was charged at Limerick District Court last Saturday with the larceny of an American money order valued at £1, the property of the Postmaster-General, on November 21 from Limerick Post Office, where he was employed as a clerk. He pleaded guilty, and was allowed out under the Probation of Offenders Act in one surety of £20.

ULSTER.

ROWDY FREE STATE SOLDIERS.—Four Free State soldiers, named John Salmon, John Grey, Michael Dalton, and Frank Hynes, of Finner Camp, Ballyshannon, were, at Ballyshannon District Court on Saturday, sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour for entering the premises of John Marray, barber, West Port, and taking seven razors, a pair of hair clippers, and one pair of scissors, late on the night of December 20. Murray said that he declined to shave the soldiers at such a late hour. The defendants used strong language, and said that they would compel him to shave them. He left the house by the back door, and went to the Rock Barracks for assistance. On his return he found the door smashed and some of his property missing. The Justice strongly condemned the action of the soldiers. These men, he said, were paid by the State for the protection of the citizens, and it was too bad to find them guilty of anarchy. If that kind of conduct was not dealt with drastically people would have to emigrate.

The dead body of a man named Patrick Beirne, of Clancumber, Johnston's Bridge, Longford, who had been missing from his farm since St. Stephen's Day, has been found in the river near his house.

The Board of Governors of the Masonic Female Orphan School will meet at the Schoolhouse, Ballsbridge, to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Breakfast at 8.30 o'clock.

Mr. Davy Stephens, of Kingstown, who has been selling newspapers on the mail boat pier and in the district generally for the last seventy-six years, has retired.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

SALVATION ARMY INSURANCE SOCIETY SUED.—At the Londonderry Recorder's Court last Friday, Mrs. Mary Campbell, London street, sued the Salvation Army Insurance Society, Ltd., for £12 10s. 6d., on account of an insurance policy. The plaintiff said that in 1914 she was persuaded to take out a policy. The superintendent suggested that she should insure her sister, Ellen, but said she had been bitten only a short time. The superintendent said that she could put down sister. The plaintiff continued to pay the premiums until the end of December, 1923, when she asked the present superintendent for a paid-up policy. When he heard that the insured person was her sister-in-law he said that the policy was illegal and void, but that she was entitled to a refund of half the premiums. She waited until May, in the hope of getting the refund, and then went to the superintendent, who told her that the policy had lapsed. It was explained on behalf of the society that the superintendent was dead. There was no evidence of fraud. A false statement having been made in the policy, the case must be dismissed. The judge held that there had been fraud on the part of the agent, who induced the plaintiff to take out the policy. He gave a decree for the amount of the premium paid. He did not regard the case as in any way reflecting on the admirable work done by the society and the army.

LURGAN UNION WIRELESS SCHEME.—In a letter to the Lurgan Board of Guardians, Mr. Joseph Herbert, North street, Lurgan, who had promised to give £10 towards the cost of installing a wireless set in the Workhouse Infirmary, states that he did so only on the condition that each guardian contributed a similar amount. The Guardians decided to await a reply from the Belfast Sports' Gala Committee as to whether it will contribute to the fund.

DOLE FRAUDS.—William McElveen, Caledon, was fined 5s. on each of nine summonses at a local court, for falsely representing, for the purpose of drawing the dole, that he and his wife were unemployed. His wife was fined 6s. for falsely representing that she was unable for the purpose of obtaining the dole.

DILAPIDATED HOUSES IN STRABANE.—At a meeting of the Strabane Urban District Council a report was received from the sanitary sub-officer regarding the condition of eight houses in Long row. The officer said that they were unfit for human habitation, and it would be more charitable to put the people out of the houses than allow them to suffer the hardships that they had to endure at present. The bedding, owing to the defective state of the houses, was continually wet. A member said that the houses should be described as pig-styes.

DEATH FROM EXPOSURE.—At an inquest into the death of Edward M'Gettigan, of Portlail, Co. Donegal, a verdict of death from exposure was returned. Evidence was given that M'Gettigan enquired in Lifford for a motor car to take him home, but the car was engaged elsewhere, and he went away. On the following morning his body was found in the snow near the town.

DOUG ATTACK SANITARY OFFICER.—Strabane Urban District Council has decided to pay an annual fee from a local doctor for 30s. fees for attendance on the sanitary sub-officer after he had been attacked and bitten by two dogs in a house which he went to inspect.

Lurgan Rural District Council's estimate and demand on the Armagh County Council for the ensuing year is £1,300, £800 more than that of last year.

The Rev. R. H. Sayers, second minister of High street Methodist Church, Lurgan, has been appointed Superintendent of the Tandevagee, Co. Armagh, Circuit as from next June.

DUBLIN CASHIER ROBBED.

£200 CARRIED OFF.

Another robbery by armed bandits in a motor car took place in Dublin, in broad daylight, on Saturday.

Mr. J. Morrow, manager and cashier of Messrs. H. and J. Martin, contractors, Grand Canal street, was stopped and robbed of £200, which he was taking from the bank for the payment of the wages of the firm's employés.

Mr. Morrow was on an outside car, with the money in a case on the seat beside him. In Clanwilliam place, near Messrs. Martin's yard, a small motor car with two men in it passed the outside car and then turned back suddenly. The two men, both of whom were young, jumped out of the motor car with revolvers in their hands. One threatened the driver and the other demanded the money from Mr. Morrow, who refused to give it up. Both men then presented their weapons at Mr. Morrow, and there was a short struggle for the possession of the case. Eventually one of the robbers wrenched it from Mr. Morrow's grip and both jumped into the motor car, which was driven away at a very fast pace.

Detectives were soon on the scene, but the bandits had got away.

THE REPUBLICAN PROGRAMME.

MR. DE VALERA AND THE PEOPLE'S WILL.

Addressing a largely attended meeting yesterday afternoon in College Green, Dublin, to mark the opening of the campaign in support of the Republican candidates at the by-elections in North and South Dublin City, Mr. de Valera said that he had been asked many times what the Republican programme was. To every question of that sort they had but one answer—they stood to-day exactly for the programme which he had laid down at his first election campaign in Clare in the years 1917, and which he, for one, would continue to follow.

He could not, he said, do better, when initiating that campaign for the two vacancies in their capital, than to answer another question which had been often put to them: "What was the economic policy of Sinn Fein and the Republicans?" The answer to that, he said, could be given not in his own words, but in the words of that representative assembly, the National Parliament, and contained in the democratic programme adopted on the 1st May, 1919.

Reading extracts of some length from the official report of the first meeting of Dail Eireann, he said that in this they not only proclaimed their political independence, but their economic independence, so that they might make their people happy and prosperous. (Applause.) Sovereignty was not only extended to the men and women of the nation, but to all material possessions and all the wealth-producing sources of the country; and they reaffirmed that all rights of private property should be subordinated to the public right and welfare. (Cheers.) That was the principle that they in Dail Eireann stood up for, and were ready to act on it if necessary, and the treaty that was signed—the Treaty which they in the Cabinet of Dail Eireann had in mind.

THE PEOPLE'S WILL.

They desired that their country be ruled in accordance with the principles of liberty and equality, which alone could be secured by the will of the people. Every citizen should have an opportunity to spend his strength and faculties in the service of the people, and it was the duty of the State to see that every man and woman who was willing to work would have work. (Cheers.) Just as the Republicans had been faithful to the principles of independence, so, if they got into power, would they be faithful to that democratic programme.

Anyone who considered the circumstances of the present state of the country should feel how sad had been the retrograde movement for the past three or four years. He remembered, when the Treaty was being discussed in Dail Eireann, some of the representatives of Labour saying that this democratic programme had been theirs for two or three years, and that they had not done anything practical with it. There was a certain amount of truth in that, because their hands had been full, fighting as they were for the freedom of their country. They had given as one of the reasons why the present Treaty was to be accepted, that it would give opportunities to put this programme into practice. It did not. Anybody interested in the country and in its natural tendencies and dangers could have foreseen that it was a backward and not a forward movement, from the economic point of view, to accept this Treaty.

A PROTECTION POLICY.

England's economic grip was, he said, more dangerous than her political grip of the country. They had a wonderful country, rich in national resources, and if there had been a definite movement, a definite attempt, made by the national authority to use those resources for the nation's benefit, it would be one of the most self-contained nations in the world. (Cheers.) He had always been in favour of protection for suitable industries which required to be built up, and just as they would proclaim protection, it would be also their right to take means to prevent abuses. Their business would be to see that abuses should not occur, and they had made provision for such a thing in the economic policy of Sinn Fein, by the suggested Tariff Board. He was certain that the policy of protection for certain industries was a right policy for the nation. Home markets were the best markets for producers.

Referring to what he described as the moral deterioration that had taken place in the nation for the last two or three years, Mr. de Valera said that one would hardly know the nation to-day when compared with two or three years ago. There was apathy everywhere. They could not go out on a programme of moral regeneration and ask men to work hard if they could not get work. (Applause.)

Introducing the candidate for the North City of Dublin—Mr. Oscar Traynor—he said that in the days when they were fighting the British the candidate held up the flag as Commanding Officer of the Dublin Brigade. He was now holding up the Republican flag, and he asked the people of Dublin to support him and to return him as their representative. (Cheers.)

Madame Markievicz, who presided, asked her hearers to go out as propagandists for a Republic, as against the bureaucracy and Imperialism of the so-called Free State Party. The announcement that an amnesty was granted was a vote-catching expedient. The prisoners still lay languishing in English jails. (Cheers.) The policy of the Free State was the policy of Britain's hold on the industries of the country. (Applause.)

THE COMING ELECTIONS.

Mr. Sean Lemass, T.D., addressing the meeting said that the people of South Dublin had already made their choice, and he had no doubt that in the forthcoming elections that their opinion would be endorsed. (Cheers.)

Ireland, he said, had been degraded to a British dependency, and its present rulers had to obey their British masters, even to the extent of waging a civil war in their own country. He asked them to openly repudiate the Treaty and send it back to London without thanks to the British Government, and to take their stand on national rights and declare their independence. Every by-election was a challenge to the Government, and it was the uncertainty for the future that was the cause of the present trade depression in Ireland. He believed that the Republicans could achieve victory this year.

Mr. Oscar Traynor, the candidate, said that the Volunteers of 1916 brought England to a position of having to sue for a truce, and surely now they ought to be able to have their country independent, politically and economically.

Mr. P. O'Donnell, T.D., Donegal, also addressed the meeting, which concluded with the singing of a verse of "The Soldier's Song" and cheers for the Republic.

WHERE MONEY BUYS MORE.
The thrifty woman who visits the Marlaen Salon, 114 St. Stephen's Green, during this week will find on show a charming collection of exclusive knit dresses, frocks, costumes, jumpers and cardigans—which for rapid clearance have been priced much below to-day's value, and in some cases actually below cost. Smart afternoon and evening frocks and pull-over hats are included in the sale, too. The sale ends this week, so don't put off your visit.—(Advt.)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE TURF FAILURE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—In an article in your issue of the 1st inst., dealing with the failure of the 1924 turf season, you quote the views of Mr. Patrick Whelan, Donnkey, Tainamara, Newbliss, and comments thereon by Professor Purcell, in the course of which my company is referred to. This company—the Turraun Peat Works—has devoted a good deal of time and money to investigating the possibilities of peat as a fuel, and, perhaps, you will kindly permit me to make a few observations on the subject.

I quite agree with Mr. Whelan when he suggests that the calamity of a turf famine can be averted, and my company some time ago brought their views on the subject to the notice of the Government through one of the departments interested; but the machines he mentions, to press water out of peat, are at present—and are likely to remain—non-existent. After a careful personal inspection of systems and machinery as used in Scotland, Canada, Garmany, Sweden and Holland, we have found no process so simple or so certain as the combination of macerating (or pulping) with air-drying of the peat, producing a fuel commonly known as "machine peat." Various systems are used for excavating the raw peat, delivering it to the macerator and then distributing the macerated peat over the drying ground; but they all rely on macerating and air-drying for the resultant fuel. I know from my own and the experience of others, when first brought into contact with raw peat containing from 90 per cent. to 95 per cent. of water, that the idea of expressing the bulk of the water by pressure is a fascinating one and very hard to get away from; but, as Professor Purcell remarks, all attempts at making fuel by this method have ended in failure.

"Machine peat" does not require to have the water squeezed out of it, but, on the contrary, frequently has water added to the raw peat, and our experience is that, the more water it contains at the time of spreading, the denser and harder it becomes when air-dried to 30 per cent.—the standard degree of moisture content—and this without lengthening the drying period. Maceration causes a protective skin to form on the surface of the peat blocks, and after two or three days drying this is so strong as to resist all but exceptionally heavy and persistent rain; so that, when drying begins again, it has not to first dry out re-absorbed moisture. Under the same conditions hand turf would become saturated and require to dry out almost, if not quite, from its original state of moisture content.

For some years my company have been experimenting with simple, home-made machinery, which has given excellent results. During the past season, in spite of the weather, I estimate that we have saved 75 per cent. of our "machine peat," and the other 25 per cent. is in a reasonably safe condition for harvesting in March or April. The peat is not quite so dry as in a good season, but it burns well in the large fire-places customary in this country, and we have even received very complimentary letters from city users. During the season we were not able to save a single sod of all that was cut by hand. My company are in agreement with Mr. Purcell that, before installing a plant obtained from Germany, but it is not yet working, awaiting the delivery of some of the electrical equipment. This plant, however, is designed for large scale production, and would not be suitable for farmers or "small communities' operations; but modified plants suitable to this purpose are obtainable at no great cost. Such plants might be worked on a co-operative basis as regards labour, etc.

My directors are keenly interested in the whole subject of peat fuel winning, and, I am sure, will willingly assist to the utmost of their ability any community or Government department desiring to undertake work in this direction, and would bring to bear all the experience at their disposal. They feel, however, that the work in its earlier stages should be undertaken by the Government or with its support, as private resources under present circumstances are not only difficult to obtain, but are inadequate to secure reasonably rapid development.—Yours, etc.,

JAMES LINDSAY,
Manager, Turraun Peat Works.
17 Westland row, Dublin,
January 3rd, 1925.

THE TRANSIT OF CATTLE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—As a member of the cattle trade on both sides of the Channel for the past forty-five years, I think I am in a position to contribute usefully to a subject of vital interest to the country, and its premier trade, to which the Chairman of the Cattle Exporters' Association has drawn such wide attention in his remarks at a recent meeting of the Association. The statements made at that meeting are substantially accurate, but fail in one respect in that they do not locate the main responsibility for the damage to live-stock.

Mr. Barry, in his efforts at a recent meeting of the Ferry and Docks Board, to exonerate the shipping companies from all blame, has thought fit to lecture the cattle trade on their responsibilities and has, in effect, charged them with masterly inactivity in face of grave damage to their stock, and an itch for publicity which he finds inexplicable. I think that publicity has been fully justified by results; moreover, the responsibility for having something done does not rest entirely with the trade. Mr. Barry refers to the findings of a deputation of live-stock interests from Scotland which came to Ireland to investigate causes of the condition of Irish live-stock arriving in Scotland. As that is the locality where I spent a considerable portion of my time in the trade, and I came in touch with members of that deputation at the time of their visit—in fact, I was largely responsible for it—I am in a position to contradict his statement of the result of their visit. They not only did not exonerate the shipping companies, but members of the deputation commented on the fact that, while the port stoppage was on and only beasts slaughtered in Dublin were carried, these presented as carcases an infinitely better appearance than those carried as live-stock, so that until reaching the abattoir for slaughter they had not been subjected to any noticeable illtreatment. To substantiate this it is only necessary to visit Dublin's abattoir and examine the condition of the carcases of animals which have been subjected to all handling, with the exception of that at the quays and on the sea journey, to notice their comparative immunity from weals. A competent authority at the public abattoir corroborates this and informs me that the number of cattle slaughtered whose carcases bear the mark of sticks is infinitesimal.

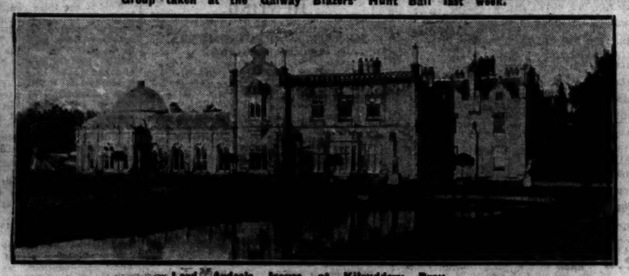
Some thirty years ago, owing to the persistent agitation of the trade, the then Government set up a departmental committee to inquire into the transit by water and embarkation and landing of animals, at which I was a witness. The report of that committee, which was both representative and impartial, throws all the light necessary on the subject, under discussion. I append a summary of their recommendations, from which it will be observed that the major portion of these recommendations refer to evident defects in the loading and accommodation of live-stock by the shipping companies:—

1. That, in order to secure the more effective control of the Government departments concerned over the sea-borne Irish cattle trade, all officers engaged in it should require a licence from these departments, to be granted on the production of the certificate of the Board of Trade, and that the carrying power of vessels in numbers above a low fixed *maximum* without such lic

An Incident in the Rugby International at Paris, in which Ireland defeated France by 9 points to 3.

Lord and Lady Ardee, and their Children, with Mr. Peyton, Master of the Bray Harriers.

Group taken at the Galway Blazers' Hunt Ball last week.



Lord Ardee's house at Kilruddery, Bray.

Mr. Peyton, Master of the Bray [illegible] Harriers, and P. Byrne, Huntsman.

The Children's Entertainment given at the Clontarf Town Hall by the British Legion of ex-Service Men in Ireland.

Mr. H. E. Phipps, a member of the Bray Harriers.

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In the course of her cruise the ship will call at nearly 30 ports, and cover a distance of about 30,000 miles.

The itinerary includes Madeira, Spain, France, Italy, Egypt, Ceylon, the Malay Archipelago, the Philippines, China, Japan, the Sandwich Islands, Panama, and the West Indies.

The Franconia will take over four and a half months to do the cruise.

MILK PRICES REDUCED.

AN EFFECTIVE PROTEST IN BELFAST.

The Belfast Retail Dairymen's Association and the Ulster Farmers' Union notify the Belfast public that the retail price of new milk in Belfast will be reduced from 8d. to 7d. per quart from to-day.

A few months ago, when a 1d. per quart increase was put on there was an outcry amongst consumers. Many adopted an effective protest by reducing their supply, and the retailers found that although the price that they charged was higher than in the summer the amount of profit that they made on the reduced quantity was less than the normal. Many consumers also transferred their custom to wholesale dairy shops and to those retailers who declined to charge the higher price.

The members of the Association have thought it advisable to revert to the former winter price of 7d. per quart.

There is nothing more wearing than a long rest for a healthy person.—Mr. Lloyd George.

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TO-DAY'S BROADCASTING PROGRAMMES.

The letters "S.B." signify a Simultaneous Broadcast from the station mentioned.

LONDON (2LO)—365 Metres.

4.0-5.0—Time Signal from Greenwich. "Spoonerisms," by Jessie Pope. Music performed during afternoon tea at the Trocadero Restaurant. Travel Picture. "Pago Pago," by Viola George. 5.30-6.15—Children. 5.40-6.55—Twelfth Night in Olden Times. 7.0—Time from Big Ben. Weather and News Bulletin. S.B. to all Stations. Talk by the Radio Association. S.B. to all Stations. Professor J. R. De Montmorency; "The Rule of Law." S.B. to all Stations. 7.35—Mavis Bennett (soprano), Robert Burnett (baritone), John Henry, The Wireless Orchestra. 9.30—Time Signal from Greenwich. Weather and News. S.B. to all Stations. 10.0—The Orchestra. 10.30—Close.

CHELMSFORD (5XX)—1,600 Metres (High-Power Station).

7.0-10.30—Programme S.B. from London.

BIRMINGHAM (5IT)—475 Metres.

3.30-4.30—The Station Wind Quintet. Marjorie Hodgson (soprano). Violet Gould (violin). Gladys Joiner (soprano). 5.30-6.45—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. Radio Association Talk. S.B. from London. Professor J. R. G. De Montmorency. S.B. from London. 7.35—The Station Orchestra. Marjorie Booth (soprano), Dennis Noble (baritone), Parker Lynch (recitals). 9.30—Weather and News. 10.0—Duets. 10.30—Close.

BOURNEMOUTH (6BM)—385 Metres.

3.45-5.0—Charles Stainer (banjo), Muriel Gollon (contralto), Ernest Bishop (concertina), Harman Draper (violin). 5.0-6.30—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. Radio Association Talk. S.B. from London. Professor J. R. G. De Montmorency. S.B. from London. 7.30—The Wireless Orchestra. Arthur Ackerman and Jenny Wynne (folk singers), Jerome Murphy (entertainer). 9.30—Weather and News. S.B. from London. Topical Talk. Local News. 10.0—Orchestra. 10.30—Close.

CARDIFF (5WA)—291 Metres.

3.0-4.0—Orchestra. 4.45-5.15—"S W A S" "Five O'Clocks." Women. 5.15-6.0—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. Radio Association Talk. S.B. from London. Professor J. R. G. De Montmorency. S.B. from London. 7.35—Herbert Horner (baritone). Lena Mason (solo violin). The Station Orchestra. Scenes from "Twelfth Night," performed by the Amateur Players Company. 8.55—"Twelfth Night Medley." The Station Staff. 9.30—Weather and News. 10.0—Dance Music. 10.30—Close.

MANCHESTER (2ZY)—375 Metres.

3.0-3.30. 4.0-4.30—Concert by the "2ZY" Quartet. Recitation—Lecoq to Schools. 4.30-5.0—Women. 5.0-6.0—Children. 6.30-6.55—Mr. J. Y. Russell: Talk on Musical Appreciation. 7.0—Weather and News. Radio Association Talk. S.B. from London. Professor J. R. G. De Montmorency. S.B. from London. 7.35—Doris Clarke (contralto), Harold Craig (baritone), Eric Fogg (solo pianoforte). The "2ZY" Augmented Orchestra. 9.30—Weather and News. 10.0—Edward Isaacs (pianoforte recital). 10.30—The "2ZY" Dramatic Company: "Love Passage." 11.0—Close.

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—400 Metres.

3.45-5.15—Robert Mark (solo 'cello), Herbert Riddock (baritone), Ida Sargent (songs at the piano), Jessie English on "Frances Ridley Havergal." 5.15-6.30—Children. 6.40-6.55—"What is Being Done for Our Unemployed Girls and Boys." 7.0—Weather and News. Radio Association Talk. S.B. from London. Professor J. R. G. De Montmorency. S.B. from London. 7.35—The Station Orchestra. Evelyn Wilson (soprano), Ernest J. Potts (bass). The "5NO" Repertory Company. 9.30—Weather and News. 10.0—Tilley's Orchestra. 10.30—Close.

GLASGOW (5SC)—420 Metres.

2.30-4.30—The Wireless Quartet. James Cottingham (baritone). 5.15-6.0—Children. 6.0-6.5—Weather for Farmers. 6.40-6.55—Topical Talk. 7.0—Weather and News. Radio Association Talk. S.B. from London. Professor J. R. G. De Montmorency. S.B. from London. 7.35—Heinz Whitlow (soprano), George Hewson (solo banjo). The Harmony Boys. The Station Orchestra. 9.30—Weather and News. 10.0—Orchestra. 10.30—Close.

LIVERPOOL (6LV)—318 Metres.

11.0-12.0—Concert. 3.30-4.30—Orchestra. 5.30-6.30—Children. 7.0-10.30—Programme S.B. from London.

BELFAST (2BE)—458 Metres.

4.0-5.0—The "2BE" Quartet. 5.30-6.15—Children. 6.40-6.55—Topical Talk. 7.0—Weather and News. S.B. from London. Radio Association Talk. S.B. from London. Professor J. R. G. De Montmorency. S.B. from London. Local News. 7.35—The Station Orchestra. Ethel Davison (soprano), Kingsley Lark (baritone), Keen McEndoo (violin). March, "Gaily the Troubadour" (Macbeth). Selection, "Bric-a-Brac" (Monckton and Talbot). Kingsley Lark. Selected Songs. 8.50—Kerm McEndoo. "Par Send de la Duchesse" (Pugnani); "The Foggy Dew" (Old Irish, arr. Alexander); "Anglise" (Dittersdorf). 9.10—Orchestra. Selection, "Katinka" (Primi). Ethel Davison. "The Flower ("Lilac Time") (Schubert); "Ah! Who Will Say That Love is Cruel?" (German); "Love's Cigarette"; "A Southern Maid") (Fraser-Simson). Orchestra. Selection, "Catherine" (Tchaikovsky). Kingsley Lark. Selected Songs. Keen McEndoo. Hindoo Song (Slimsky-Korsakoff-Kreisler); Rondo (Mozart-Kreisler); Rhapsodie Piemontese (Sinigaglia). Ethel Davison. "I Love the Moon" (Rubens); "Under the Lilac Bough ("Lilac Time"—(Schubert); "My Life is Love" ("The Maid of the Mountains") (Fraser-Simson). Orchestra. One-step, "English Medley" (Somers). 9.30—Weather and News. S.B. from London. Professor George Macdonald. S.B. from Edinburgh. Local News. 10.0—Orchestra. Selection, "The Merry Widow" (Lehar)—Suite, Three Dances ("Two Jews") (German); One-step, "The Dom Pah Trot" ("Stop Flirting"), Gershwin, Daly, and Lannin. 10.30—Close.

DUBLIN FIRES.

An outbreak of fire occurred last Saturday morning in the new building which is being added to the Skin and Cancer Hospital, Hume street, Dublin. The Fire Brigade extinguished the fire before it had caused any material damage. The fire broke out as the result of some shavings becoming ignited.

Early yesterday morning the Fire Brigade was called to a fire at the tobacconist shop, 140 St. Stephen's Green, where it was found that a fire had broken out in the cellar. The flames were extinguished before they could spread to the rest of the building.

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THE PROPERTY MARKET.

PROSPECTS IN FREE STATE.

The property market during the year that has just closed has not been without its hopeful features. When the year opened prices of house property had certainly fallen, and owners were apprehensive that the tendency was downward and not upward. That was so for a great portion of the year, and houses of the class which sells the most readily, say, the £1,200 house, had dropped to £1,000, £1,050. Strange to say, houses in the vicinity of £2,000, if of the modern type and in good decorative repair, sold just as well as in the boom time. For example, two modern houses in Herbert Park district sold readily for £2,400, and were in good demand.

There is no doubt that there are specially favoured roads in the different districts where houses, if detached, fetch a good price, and often a far better one than an equally good house on another road. Proximity to golf links is a great asset in fetching a good price, aided by open country and good views. The demand for places with land was good, especially if inexpensive to maintain. Building is still on the slow side, but the speculative builders with some capital and plenty of energy are reaping their reward.

Several schemes for developing land near Dublin have reached fruition, and shortly houses of a good class will be started on the Mount Merrion demesne. The frontage to the Stillorgan road is good, and houses built there will certainly sell well. The example set by the Blackrock Council in the development of Temple Hill might be followed by other townships, as these pretty villas form an attractive feature between Dublin and Kingstown. Ground rents show an improvement, and this is a good sign. Within the past two months Iona road ground rents sold for between fourteen and fifteen years' purchase, which was good selling. The Ebor estate averaged for the good lots thirteen years' purchase. As a guide, owners may calculate from twelve to fifteen years' purchase of well-secured rents.

The letting of grazing land will be good this year. The determination of all connected with the cattle trade to check the injury to beasts in transit to England, and so save the serious loss to all concerned, is marked, and hundreds of thousands of pounds will be saved to the country.

Farmers realise that to hold their markets and gain more they must look carefully to the quality of the butter, eggs, bacon, etc., exported, and this is a hopeful feature.

Business premises have not yet found that steady demand which should prevail. Owners must face the fact that rents and prices must come down to suit the prices of goods, and then we shall be saved the sorry spectacle of seeing so many good shops in streets like Grafton street lying idle. There have been inquiries for the Sackville street sites, and, as the prices asked for them are not unreasonable, it is expected that this year building will start on some of them.

The whole crux of the matter, however, is the question of security and stability. Hard-headed business men are not going to spend money to please any Government unless they have the feeling of undoubted security. There is a very hopeful chance that cotton factories will be erected in the country, as climatic conditions are favourable, and the new Shannon power scheme will facilitate this project.

Altogether the prospects in the property market are more promising than in 1924, but it must be emphasised that there must be in power a strong Government, able and willing to maintain settled conditions of law and order, and with this vital necessity, and a strong determination upon the part of all Irishmen to put their shoulders to the wheel and work hard in the right direction, property will be—as it ought to be—on the upward grade and a good investment to seek.

THIS WEEK'S AUCTIONS OF FURNITURE AND FINE ARTS.

MONDAY.

9 and 10 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin (James Hill and Son).

TUESDAY.

"The Cross Guns," 114 Phibsborough road (A. J. Keogh). "Mayville," 72 Cloniffe road (Battersby and Co.).

WEDNESDAY.

6 Upper Ormond quay (Bennett and Son), 74 Grafton street (Greene and Co.).

THURSDAY.

6 Upper Ormond quay (Bennett and Son).

DR. NORMAN'S FUNERAL.

Mr. Alfred Smythe, J.P., has been unavoidably prevented from attending Dr. Norman's funeral owing to absence in England.

Most people believe the things that are said to them in ordinary conversation more readily than what they are told at meetings and conferences, or even in the Press.—The Rev. H. A. Gray.

WOMAN M.B.E. IN TROUBLE.

When a distressed-looking woman, with a child in her arms, appealed for assistance to the Hull Guardians, she was entertained to tea and asked to accept a gratuity, not charity. She was an M.B.E., and produced a medal and documents as proof.

The woman is a Mrs. Sidney, whose husband has been missing since Christmas Eve. She was formerly a Miss Wells, cook at the Hull City Hospital. In 1914 she joined the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, and was sent overseas to the American Army as foreman cook. Later she was drafted to the British section at Calais and Audergique, and saw much service in various parts of the war area.

She earned the distinction for services as a cook with the British Expeditionary Force. She married in 1923, following a war romance in France, but says her husband has gone away.

Work is to be found for her.

If you do about one-tenth as well as your fathers did in the Victorian age, you will do uncommonly well.—The Rev. Garfield Williams.

GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE

NEW YEAR PROSPECTS.

AUSTRALIAN PRICES.

LIKELY LINCOLNSHIRE CANDIDATES.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Sunday Night.

There seems reasonable ground for stating that the prospects for racing generally are brighter this new year than they have been for some time past. After all, it is the support of the general public that keeps racing going, and if the public has not the money racing languishes. The excellent attendances on both days at Manchester—especially considering the terribly adverse weather—was a clear indication that money is becoming more plentiful in the North of England. There is no little of it in circulation in racing still, but the tendency is distinctly better. Trade is improving throughout the North, unemployment is steadily increasing, and there is a general feeling of optimism.

There is, of course, no limit to the popularity of racing itself with the general public, and the measure of their support is only limited by the state of their pockets. In a period of better rising to good trade which we seem to have just entered on, racing must inevitably flourish, and so the outlook of 1925 can be regarded as brighter.

So far as can be gathered, racing is flourishing in most parts of the world. The Australian papers brought by the last mail contain the most glowing accounts of the last meeting at Hemington, Melbourne, in which all attendance records were broken, and the value of the stakes has bred envy, and perhaps a little uncharitableness, in the breasts of the Irish and English owner and breeder. It is astonishing that a country like Australia, with a trifling population compared with that of Great Britain, can put up a meeting where the "added money" in each race is seldom less than a thousand pounds.

At the Hemington meeting the horses owned by Messrs. Tye and Corteen, who have incurred the displeasure of the Turf authorities and are under a year's suspension, were run up for sale, and one of them, the three-year-old Heroic, was bought in by Mr. Corteen for 20,000 guineas after a firm offer of 16,500 guineas had been made for him. This is a price hitherto unheard of for an Australian-bred three-year-old, and is an indication of the value of the stakes to be won in the Southern continent. I have no great love for the pari-mutuel and the totalisator, but it must be said that racing does flourish and more valuable stakes are to be won in the countries in which the machine has become an institution.

FOREIGN BUYERS.

The growth of the foreign demand for bloodstock at the last Newmarket sales has been noted, and orders for thoroughbreds seem to be coming from the most unexpected corners of the world. A few days after Mr. James White sold his Irish-bred son of Roi Herode, Norseman, to go to Pernambuco, a remote port in the Republic of Brazil. In the Argentine a period of bad trade and adverse exchanges has prevented breeders from buying extensively in England on their scale of some years ago, but it is likely that the impending visit of the Prince of Wales, for which such gigantic preparations are being made in Buenos Aires, will have a useful propaganda effect for British bloodstock. Paris is the playground of the rich Argentino, and buyers from that country have been inclined to coquette a good deal in the last few years with French breeders.

The successes of the French-bred horses in England last season were given great prominence in the newspapers of the Argentine. Mention of Argentine breeders reminds me that it is stated that Senor Unzue, who had arranged to have Town Guard sent to the Argentine as a sire, is now for duty as a stallion, is keeping him in training in France for another season. Having always had the firm conviction that this is the best horse that has been seen on a racecourse in England for a good many years, I hope that before he retires he will win a good race in the land of his birth—the Ascot Gold Cup for choice.

His trainer, Torterolo, who is now private trainer to the Aga Khan, has been allowed to retain a few horses belonging to his countryman, Senor Unzue, thought that he was a certainty for that race last year, but the horse, which he had got back to the top of his form, met with an accident and could not run. Ill luck has dogged Town Guard ever since his two-year-old days.

The entries for the Lincolnshire Handicap are due to close at the Registry Office at 10 p.m. on Tuesday, and will be published in the Racing Calendar on Thursday afternoon. Chief interest will centre, I imagine, on the intentions of Fairway regarding the 1925 race. They gained a remarkable success last March with Sir Gallahad, and the owner of that horse, Mr. J. D. Cohn, may have been tempted to make an early this year, even though his veteran trainer, Denman, swore on leaving Lincoln last March that he would never run a horse there again on account of the attitude which the Executive took up towards him. One thing is certain, and that is that no French horse will ever be as leniently handicapped as was Sir Gallahad last year.

There is also a good deal of discussion about the entry and prospects of Diomedes in the race. This brilliant colt may be entered, but I shall be surprised if he runs. His owner, Mr. Ker, has been abroad for some time, but I believe he intends to exploit him more in France than in England during the coming season. There are many valuable weight-for-age races in that country for which the horse is qualified by his blue-bloods of them are over a distance of ground, and the stamina of Diomedes is still a trifle doubtful. I am afraid that Diomedes will not be leniently treated in handicaps in England this season.

TWELVE POINTER'S CHANCE.

Twelve Pointer would be a very interesting proposition in the Lincolnshire. Mr. Forse's horse won the Cambridgeshire in the most brilliant style, and it would be very difficult to handicap him out of the race. Lighthouse, a conspicuous failure in the Cambridgeshire, may be another interesting candidate, and the faithful public will probably rally to his side again should he go to the post. Caravel strikes me as an ideal horse for the race, but he is likely to be high in the handicap, and anyhow Taylor does not bother much about getting his horses ready so early in the season, although the Manton stable did win the race with Oberon so long ago as 1887, and he was a 50 to 1 chance, too.

Dawson City and Mignault are a very interesting pair whose names will be mentioned a good deal between the moment of writing and the time of the race. Mignault is a taking candidate, for he will be low in the Handicap. It would not be altogether surprising if Mr. Percy Whitaker were to bring off for Sir Edward and Lady Edgar the Lincolnshire and National double with Mignault and Silvo. Major Dorjie may possibly ride the latter at Liverpool, for he has not entered anything from his own stable. The ideal jockey for Silvo is, of course, Tony Escott, who was on him when he won all his races last year, but he is no longer riding for the stable, and may not be anxious to do so again, as Mr. Whitaker would not give him the retaining fee he asked.

Conjuror II., who was a blazing favourite last March, and fell with Mr. Harry Brown, will be entered again, and will, if all goes well with him, be ridden by his owner's son, Mr. C. P. Dewhurst, who got placed on him two years ago. Super Man is another certain entry, and Mr. Bankier has again engaged Jack Anthony to ride this horse, whose recent form has been wretched. Fly Mask, second last year, is an automatic entry. He is likely, however, to be high in the Handicap.

I shall be interested to see whether Coulthwaite enters Old Times. This horse, after a respectable career as a hurdler, made his *début* as a 'chaser at Wolverhampton last St. Stephen's Day, when he made a great impression by the way in which he won the Christmas Cup. He followed this up by winning a steeplechase at Manchester last Friday. This is a big, fine-looking, powerful horse, who is a clever and bold jumper, and I shall be surprised if he does not, in the course of time, prove himself a Liverpool horse. Old Tay Bridge, who came down with Mr. Hubert Hartigan last year three fences from home, when he had a brilliant winning chance, may not stand a preparation for the race next March. His trainer, Mr. F. Hartigan, is at present abroad; and I believe that in future he will confine his interests almost entirely to preparing horses to run under the Rules of Racing.

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.

The racing at Plumpton on Saturday was wretched. The going was terribly bad, and, consequently, the runners were few. In the steeplechases few of the starters got round safely. There is a promise of fair racing this afternoon at Birmingham. Several of the Irish horses which came to Manchester—Holy Fooks, Limber Dancer, and No Worry—are engaged in the Staffordshire Hurdle, but none of them may beat ARGO, if he is started. I like the chances of LIGHTFOOT in the Stayers' Handicap Steeplechase, and of CLINCH in the Maiden Four-Year-Old Hurdle. If he is kept for a later race SINSAMA might be the best.

GALTEE MORE.

BETTING FORECAST.

BIRMINGHAM.

1.0 Race—2 to 4 agst. Saxham Prince, 11 to 4 Victor Noir, 4 to 1 Cygnet, 5 to 1 Lady Jacquenetta, 6 to 1 Chicot, 7 to 1 Leartes, 8 to 1 Repaid, 100 to 8 any other.

1.30 Race—5 to 2 agst. Glengarry II., 3 to 1 Heathscote, 4 to 1 Ballyhacket, 11 to 2 Helmet, 7 to 1 each Royal Toy and Ballyhoe, 8 to 1 each Munster Marine and Harlology, 10 to 1 The Saint, Jyl, 100 to 8 any other.

2.0 Race—11 to 4 agst. Argo, 7 to 2 Flaming Sword, 4 to 1 Fairy Report, 5 to 1 Limber Dancer, 7 to 1 Holy Fooks, 8 to 1 each Phantom Chimney and Chiltington, 10 to 1 Curacy Grain, 100 to 8 Nerne the Hunter, 100 to 7 any other.

2.30 Race—5 to 2 agst. Lothivet, 7 to 2 Ben Cruchan, 9 to 2 Apple Pie, 5 to 1 L'Aigle II., 7 to 1 Dare All, 8 to 1 each Gombarzi and Sanjoy, 100 to 8 any other.

3.0 Race—3 to 1 agst. Hackdene, 7 to 2 Pommeau, 9 to 2 Ben Brcun, 6 to 1 Merry Fast, 7 to 1 Attaboy, 8 to 1 Caltrop, 10 to 1 any other.

3.30 Race—5 to 4 agst. Clinch, 7 to 2 Dusky Brave, 5 to 1 Billy Beck, 7 to 1 each Pomme de Guerre and Flint Stone, 8 to 1 Indiscretion, 10 to 1 each Pommincta and Chain Hill, 100 to 7 any other.

"FORM" HORSES.

BIRMINGHAM.

1. 0—Saxham Prince.
2.30—Darcy Ali.
1.30—Heathscote.
3. 0—Hackdene.
2. 0—Argo.
3.30—Clinch.
Double—Argo and Hackdene (nap).

A Student of Form.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Westminster Gazette :—To-day's best — Argo. Double—Argo and Clinch.

Daily News :—Double—Saxham Prince and Glengarry II.

Daily Express :—Double — Saxham Prince and Clinch. Safely bet—Con Cregan (to win).

Daily Mirror :—Double — Lightfoot (nap) and Argentine.

Daily Graphic :—Double—Friar Denis (nap) and Hackdene.

PLUMPTON RESULTS

1.0—**PORTSLADE (£3) HANDICAP STEEPLE-CHASE** of £100. 3m.

Major Methven's ch. g. THE ANTELOPE II., by The Rake, dam's ped. unknown. 4, 10-4 ..... Mr. Peatce (1)

Mr. Peatce's LADOMINE, 8, 9-11 ..... L. Hall 2

Also ran—Flying Winkfield (T. Costello), Widmore (H. Hannon), Wrangle (J. Rolfe), Beauty March (B. Ellis). Off 1.0. (Winner trained by Powell.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Wrangle, 3 to 1 THE ANTELOPE II., 7 to 2 Ladomine, 4 to 1 Steady March, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by thirty lengths. Wrangle released, Widmore and Steady March fell. Only two finished.

There was only a bid for the winner.

1.30—**WIVELSFIELD (£3) HURDLE RACE** of £100. 2m.

Mr. T. K. Stapley's b. g. RATHCORE, by Avidity, dam by Hacker—Fun, 11, 11-9 ..... Mr. G. Gordon 1

Mr. R. Leach's SUN CHAP, 6, 11-9 W. Bartlett 2

Mr. G. Bennett's MORE PRIDE, 5, 11-10 ..... Dick 3

Also ran—Jaeden (Lefebvre), Cruiser Arc (A. Robson), Hurricane Lady (C. Alliff), Broken Vow (W. Balding), Venetian Rose (F. Allden). Off 1.51. (Winner trained privately.)

Betting—Evens Mr. Peate, 3 to 1 agst. Venetian Rose, 5 to 1 Sun Chap, 10 to 1 RATHCORE or any other.

Won by two lengths; four lengths. Jaeden fell.

An objection to the winner on the grounds that the first horse did not hold a Hunts was overruled and the deposit forfeited. Leave to appeal has been granted.

2.0—**KEYMER STEEPLECHASE** of 100 sovs. 3m. Sir K. Fraser's br. g. ARDEEN, by Evicted—Dunryn, 5, 11-8 ..... Cantwell 1

Capt. Alvares's PEACEFUL PROSPECTS, 7, 10-4 ..... Mr. Pulford 2

Major G. Wyndham's HIGHHALL, aged, 11-2) ..... Capt. R. Wood-Easton 3

Also ran—Pride of Mandalay (C. Costello). Off 2.2. (Winner trained privately.)

Betting—3 to 1 on ARDEEN, 4 to 1 agst. Pride of Mandalay, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by twenty-five lengths; a bad third.

2.30—**SUSSEX HANDICAP HURDLE RACE** of £100. 2m.

Mr. Osmand's b. g. ANTIMAGIC, by White Magic—Ivy, aged, 10-7 ..... Whitaker 1

Mr. G. N. Bennett's GRATSTOWN, 11, 10-1 ..... Balding 2

Mr. R. Day's MONTAGUE, 5, 10-7 C. Donnelly 3

Also ran—Bargate (H. Hunt), Lindholm (L. Rickard), Nathan (Mr. J. Cunningham), Royal Bucks (H. Gordon). Off 2.30. (Winner trained by Larkin.)

Betting—11 to 8 agst. Lindholm, 5 to 1 Aximuth, 6 to 1 each ANTIMAGIC and Uncertain, 8 to 1 Gratstown, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by five lengths; ten lengths. Lindholm fell.

3.0—**NOVICES' STEEPLECHASE** of £85. 2 m.

Mr. G. T. Eaton's b. g. KABEL, by Rochester—Pebsenquel, 5, 11-5 ..... Harraway 1

Mr. A. M. Jones's CONTRACTOR ..... R. Regan 2

Also ran—Gaggle (A. Francis), Hill Hut (Mr. J. Evans), Bodstone (Mr. J. C. Hawe), Paramount Chief (A. Birch), Mountain Land (Hathaway). Off 3.0. (Winner trained privately.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Gaggle, 3 to 1 KABEL, 5 to 1 Paramount Chief, 6 to 1 Contractor, 8 to 1 Hillsire, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by six lengths; only two finished.

3.25—**FOUR-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP HURDLE RACE** of £85. 2 m.

Sir S. Waitt's b. g. JUPITRAR, by Spearmint— Sakura, 11-7 ..... W. Smyth 1

Mr. S. Collinson's MINTBALL, 12-7 ..... Mr. C. Evans 2

Mr. A. R. Firkin's HUMMING BEE, 11-10 ..... Parker 3

Also ran—Psycho (P. Allden). Off 3.56. (Winner trained by F. Scott.)

Betting—2 to 1 on JUPITRAR, 5 to 2 Psycho, and 10 to 1 any other.

Won by four lengths; a bad third.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Yarlsown Handicap, Haydock Park—Familiarity.
Shuckburg Hurdle Race, Sandown Park—Ballyhacket.
Moderate Handicap Hurdle, Gatwick—Southpool.
Four-Year-Old Hurdle, Gatwick—Espino.
Member Selling Hurdle, Birmingham—Bighline.
Grove Optional Selling Steeplechase, Tenby—Clashing Arms.
Tenby engagements—Animal.
All engagements—Zodiac.

THIS WEEK'S RACING FIXTURES.

ENGLAND.

Monday and Tuesday—Birmingham.
Wednesday and Thursday—Tenby.
Friday and Saturday—Gatwick.
Friday and Saturday—Haydock Park.

LAWN TENNIS.

COUPE DE NOEL TOURNAMENT.

PARIS, Sunday.

The finals in the men's and ladies' doubles for the lawn tennis Coupe de Noel at the Sporting Club de Paris to-day resulted in Messrs. Borotra and Lacoste winning the men's doubles by a victory over Messrs. Dragnon and Decugis, while Mlles. Deve and Conquet defeated Mesdames Goldschmidt and Rosenthal in the ladies' doubles.

THE BEAU SITE TOURNAMENT.

CANNES, Sunday.

The results of the finals in the Beau Site tournament, played here to-day, are as follow:—

Men's Singles—Colonel Mayes beat Lord Chelmondeley—6-2, 6-3.

Ladies' Singles—Miss Ryan beat Miss Tripp—6-4, 6-4.

Men's Doubles—Lord Chelmondeley and Colonel Mayes beat H. K. Lester and Wallis Myers—7-5, 6-3, 6-2.

Ladies' Doubles—Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen and Miss Ryan beat Mrs. Satterthwaite and Mrs. Neville Smith—6-0, 6-1.

Mixed Doubles—Miss Ryan and Colonel Mayes beat Mrs. Satterthwaite and H. K. Lester—6-0, 6-2.

BIRMINGHAM.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

Providing that the floods do not interfere, some quite fair racing is promised at Birmingham to-day. Even with the rain we have had, I shall expect the going to be reasonably good. In the Staffordshire Handicap Hurdle Low Tide may carry his penalty and score, for he certainly won with that amount in hand at Manchester. He is a doubtful runner, however, and so is his absence I shall look to Chiltington or Herne the Hunter. The first-named seems to improve with each outing, and though he has plenty of weight he must have a great chance. Herne the Hunter ran quite well up to a point at Manchester, and on his earlier form must be respected. My selection, however, must be Low Tide; if absent, Chiltington. Selections:—

Stretchford Hurdle—Leartes.
Birmingham Steeplechase—Nitric.
Staffordshire Hurdle—Low Tide; if absent, Chiltington.
Stayers' Steeplechase—Black Abbott.
Trappington Steeplechase—Old Times.
Maiden Hurdle—Argentine.

1.0—STRETCHFORD SELLING HURDLE RACE of £150 sovs. Winner to be sold for £250. Second receives 3 sovs. 2m. Age st. lb.

LEARTES (Miss A. McKenna) McKenna	5 11 9
(The above has arrived.)	
BUENASUERTE (Mr. G. W. Moody)	
Saxby	7 12 0
SAXHAM PRINCE (Mrs. C. Stevens)	
Stevens	11 12 0
VICTOR NOIR (Mrs. G. Morris)	Smyth 5 12 0
REPAID (Mr. W. Needham)	Saxby 6 12 0
FRIAR DENIS (Mr. J. Bullock)	
Bullock	9 12 0
LITTLE DORRIT (Mr. S. Irish)	
F. Lyall	7 11 10
CHICOT (Mr. F. Lushion)	Linsell 5 11 10
THE ROVER (Mr. C. Smith)	F. Lyall 11 11 0
KATE HARDCASTLE (Mr. F. L. C.	
Hardcastle)	Harrison 5 11 6
LADY JAQUENETTA (Mr. M. J. Cunningham)	Newey 4 10 10
COTTON (Mr. A. M'Cann)	Dawson 4 10 10

1.30—BIRMINGHAM SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £200 sovs. Winner to be sold for £300. Second receives 3 sovs. 3m. Age st. lb.

THE FIRS (Capt. M. Wardell)	McDougall 11 12 0
HACKDENE (Mr. E. A. V. Stanley)	
Hastings	5 11 7
HEATHENCOTE (Mr. W. Parrish)	
Harrison	12 11 4
(The above have arrived.)	
HENRY 8. (Mr. R. Fitch) (Tib. 5)	
Poole	9 12 11
NED CARVER (Mr. R. H. Tattersall)	
Poole	11 12 7
GREENOGUE (Maj. D. Campbell)	
Westmorland	11 12 4
GLENGARRY II. (Mrs. A. Crichton)	
Brown	11 12 0
BALLYMACKNEY (Mr. W. G. Knight)	
Doyle	9 11 12
LAITMAN (Mr. H. Cope)	Sudden 10 11 12
NITRIC (Mr. J. Hood)	Sandy 10 11 11
HAVE A CARE (Major D. M. Mathews)	
Powell	10 11 10

HAGIOLOGY (Mr. A. Newey) ..... Newey 9 11 5
BACHELOR'S BEVEL (Mr. W. Parrish) ..... H. Harrison 13 11 0
FLUSHED (Lt.-Col. E. C. M. Phillips) ..... G. Payne 9 11 7
MRS. DRUMMOND (Lt. Grimthorpe) ..... Palmer 9 11 7
BALLYREEN (Mr. R. Osborne) ..... F. Lyall 4 11 7
HELMET (Mr. M. B. Sunderland) ..... Bennet 10 11 5
MUNSTER MARINE (Mrs. R. B. Brown) ..... H. A. Brown 5 11 5
ALWAYS READY (Mr. G. S. Charlton) ..... Anthony 8 11 5
ROYAL TOY (Mrs. Sanday) ..... J. Harper 8 11 5
BALLYHOE (Mr. Bennett) ..... Sanday 7 11 4
MISS MICAWBER (Mrs. G. Wallace) ..... Bennett 4 11 4
TILLY (Master Liddell) ..... Woodland 10 11 3
MAHABOU (Mr. M. B. Blair) ..... Sanday 4 11 3
THE SAINT (Mr. R. Wargent) ..... Richards 10 11 0
CON CREGAN (Mr. H. A. Brown) ..... Brown 12 10 13
STROLLING KNIGHT (Mr. R. Bonner) ..... Sulleck 14 10 13
SQUANCOUNT (Mr. D. Harrison) ..... D. Harrison 7 10 4
HOLIDAY MAKER (Mr. A. F. Pope) ..... McDougal 9 12 0
HACKDENE (Mr. E. A. V. Stanley) ..... Private 12 10 5
OLIVEWHIN (Mr. A. F. Franklin) ..... Hastings 5 11 9
WILD SWAN (Sir Edward Edgar) ..... Hall 5 11 9
WHITE SPLASH (Mr. F. W. Parnell) ..... Whitaker 5 11 8
BRUFF BATTLE (Mr. H. A. Brown) ..... S. Payne 5 11 5
ATTABOY (Mr. R. B. Davison) ..... H. A. Brown 6 12 0
QUICK MARCH (Mr. T. Mache) ..... E. Piggott 5 12 0
ROSSIENY (Mrs. H. M. Hollins) ..... Pope 6 12 0
KERAMICOS (Mr. A. D. MacAlpine) ..... W. Payne 6 12 0
KHOOSH (Miss Lois Sturt) ..... H. Harrison 7 12 0
OLD TIMES (Mr. C. Taylor) ..... Whitaker 5 12 0
RADIANT RIVER (Mr. R. W. Beer) ..... Coulthwaite 7 12 0
MY HOBBY (Sir Francis Price) ..... Leach, jun. 6 12 0
WHITE MOUNTAIN (Major W. H. Kenwick) ..... Gilbert 5 11 9
TOKAY (Mr. H. Betts) ..... Renwick 8 11 8
FAIR FLIGHT (Mr. H. A. Brown) ..... Private a 11 7
CAMPERDOWN (Mrs. Nancie Cuthbert) ..... H. A. Brown 7 11 7
PHANTOM FOX (Mr. H. Forester) ..... Woodland 6 11 7
LITTLE HOLIOA (Lady Grey) ..... Private 6 11 7
MACOR (Mr. D. Grosse) ..... Private 7 11 7
MANISTER FIELD (Mr. R. Hastings) ..... Sanday 7 11 7
BATHLUCK (Lord Londesborough) ..... Private 7 11 7
MURKY PAST (Mr. P. Osborn) ..... F. Lyall 4 11 7
PAULINUS (Miss M. Roscoe) ..... Powell 5 11 7
THE JOKE (Mr. W. S. Smith) ..... F. Lyall 6 11 7
BLANK CARTRIDGE (Capt. E. C. Bread) ..... Jackson 6 11 7
CASTLEFIN (Lord Westmorland) ..... Westmorland 8 11 7
SERBIAN IX. (Capt. P. Williams) ..... Sanzy 5 11 7
APPLE PIE (Sir Ernest Wills) ..... De Winton 6 11 7
DINAH MORRIS (Sir Ernest Wills) ..... De Winton 9 11 7
CONDOBOLIN (Mr. Stanley Wootton) ..... Doyle 6 11 7
DOLPLECHEN (Mr. R. Bromley) ..... Doyle 5 11 5
SHUHAN (Lady Edgar) ..... Whitaker 5 11 5
LADY HOLIOA (Mr. Fielden) ..... Kent 5 11 5
CAPTIVATE (Mr. Mesteger) ..... Powell 5 11 5
FRANKNESS (Mr. Kimsell) ..... Powell 5 11 5
CROSS HANDS (Lord Westmorland) ..... Westmorland 5 11 5
MARABOU (Mr. M. D. Blair) ..... Private a 11 5

3.30—MAIDEN FOUR-YEAR-OLD HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. For four-year-olds and upwards which have not won a chase to closing. Second receives 10 sovs. 3m.

	Age. st. lb.
ROMAN ROAD (Mr. R. Mealing)	Fetchars 10
(The above has arrived.)	
POMMINNETTA (Mr. A. E. Aston)	
	R. Doyle 10 8
WALWARE (Mr. J. C. Baird)	Baird 10 8
DUSKY BRAVE (Mr. J. Bates)	
	H. Harrison 10 8
THROMINE (Lord Barnby)	Smallwood 10 8
ARGENTINE (Mr. Spencer Bates)	W. Payne 10 8
BETHNA (Mr. James Bell)	Powell 10 8
DIRIE (Lord Cadogan)	Purcell 10 8
COAL OF EMBERS (Mr. E. Cecil-Wright)	
	Jones 10 8

BRIDGE OF CAHIR (Mr. T. Coulthwaite) ..... Coulthwaite 10 8
AEROSTAR (Mr. C. Green) ..... Carter 10 8
GREAT ERNE (Mr. W. J. Green) ..... Smith 10 8
POMMIER (Mr. C. Greenham) ..... Sayzer 10 8
HOLIOMA (Mr. W. J. Gresson) ..... Gilbert 10 8
LACKEY (Mr. J. Hammond) ..... Smith 10 8
TUSCAN (Mr. J. Hanshaw) ..... Hanshaw 10 8
DISCRETION (Mr. C. Higgs) Higgs 10 8
BLAKIS (Mrs. H. M. Hollins) ..... Payne 10 8
ZOHRA (Mr. Joel) ..... Westmorland 10 8
HALCOM (Mr. Sol Joel) ..... Westmorland 10 8
TOCSIN (Lt.-Col. Johnson) ..... Johnson 10 8
THE BORDERER (Mr. Weathered) ..... Coulthwaite 10 8
SEEKER (Mr. T. M. Lefebvre) ..... Rebeaud 10 8
SOCRATES (Mr. A. D. MacAlpine) ..... Harrison 10 8
ILLYRIAN (Sir Malcolm McAlpine) G. Poole 10 8
DUPLICATE (Mrs. P. McDougal) McDougal 10 8
QUEEN'S PURSUIT (Mr. H. J. Wyman) ..... Piggott 10 8
THE BAKER (Mr. L. Oppenheim) ..... Hastings 10 8
MEGA (Mr. C. Philips) ..... Philips 10 8
FLINT STONE (Mr. Eric Platt) F. Hartigan 10 8
BEAUTIFUL MAUD (Mr. R. Remton) ..... Rentor 10 8
CHAIN HILL (Mr. C. Bichen) ..... East 10 8
POMME-D'ARGUERRE (Mrs. G. H. Russell) ..... Bullock 10 8
GLENNELL (Mr. J. Settle) ..... C. Davies 10 8
SWAN MATCH (Mr. J. W. Sharples) Cundell 10 8
FLO (Mr. W. G. Nicholson) ..... Rich 10 8
GUTHORITE (Mr. C. D. Smith) ..... Rimell 10 8
REESTON (Lt. Wavertree) ..... Ferguson 10 8
MISS MIDDLETON (Mr. Price) ..... Private 10 8
GRANPAU (Lady Westmorland) ..... Westmorland 10 8
ROCKING HORSE (Sir Ernest Wills) ..... De Winton 10 8
CLAROBIE (Sir Ernest Wills) ..... De Winton 10 8
CLINCH (Mr. S. Woolfen) ..... Coulthwaite 10 8

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.
THE WARD UNION.

January.	Meet.	Hour.
Wednesday, 7th	10-Mile Bush	1.30
Saturday, 10th	Kilrue	1.30
	THE KILDARE.	
Tuesday, 6th	Carstown	11. 0
Friday, 9th	Kildangan	11. 0
Saturday, 10th	Clongowes	11. 0
	THE MEATH.	
To-day	Rahinstown	11. 0
Thursday, 8th	Knockstone X	11. 0
Friday, 9th	Lagrove	11. 0
Saturday, 10th	Killeen Castle	11. 0

FINGAL HARRIERS.

FROM A CORRESPONDENT.

On Tuesday, 30th ult., at Malahow, we had a quick find on Mr. Baker's farm, and running straight through Westown went over Cabin Hill to Malahow, where the hounds killed. Westcurragh was next tried, and a hare was quickly on foot, hounds running very fast through the bottoms by the Delvin river and crossing the Naul road went over Corduff and Cabin Hill where straight through Westcurragh to Balgaddy, and on to Springhill. Bearing to the right, hounds were over Leas-lands to Prospect Hill, where we had a very good burst.

Friday, 2nd January.—Rogerstown.—A gale was blowing when we moved off to draw Mr. M'Loughlin's farm, and without much delay a hare was found in the gorse ring by the Skidoo, and back into Rogerstown. Cooke-town was next tried and a nice hunt resulted via Baldurgan and Brownstown to Balheany then wheeling to the right hounds hunted by Donnycarney and Dollard's almost to Skidoo where all trace of our quarry was obliterated by a heavy hailstorm.

THE WARD UNION.

The Ward Union Hunt fixes Monday, March 9th as the date of their point-to-point, subject to the sanction of the I.N.H.S.

THE BRAY HARRIERS.

PRESENTATION TO HUNTSMAN.

An interesting ceremony took place at Killroddery, Bray, last Saturday at a meet of the Bray Harriers, when a presentation of £40 was made to the huntsman, Mr. Frank Byrne, who is shortly to be married.

After a hunt breakfast in the Castle, Lord Ardee said that for the past fifteen years Frank Byrne had given them the best of sport in the field, and they all wished him health and happiness in the future.

In making the presentation, Mrs. Toomey, on behalf of the members of the Bray Harriers, expressed their appreciation of the fine sport that Mr. Byrne had provided for them during his long connection with the hunt.

Mr. Byrne suitably replied.

Among those present were:—Lord and Lady Ardee, the Hon. Maureen Brabazon, the Hon. Morin Brabazon, the Hon. Aileen Brabazon, Mr. Peyton, M.F.H.; Mr. and Mrs. William Toomey, Mr. and Mrs. Phipps, Mr. D. H. Moore, Mr. Butler, Miss B. Mann, Mr. and Mrs. Tuite, the Hon. B. Wingfield, the Hon. Patrick Wingfield, Mr. and Mrs. Byrne, Mr. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mayne, Miss Rose, Miss Barrington, Miss Shepherd, Miss Middleton, the Misses Scott, Mr. J. Moore, Mrs. Dillon, Mrs. and Miss Chapman, Mr. J. Roche, Mr. E. Summers, Mr. F. Clarke, Mrs. J. Byrne.

BADMINTON.

LEINSTER WINS INTER-PROVINCIAL MATCH.

The Inter-Provincial Badminton Tournament between Leinster and Ulster was revived on Saturday, having lapsed since 1914. The play took place in Belfast.

Leinster won by eight matches to three and sixteen games to eleven, scoring 376 points to 355. Details:—

Ladies' Doubles—Mrs. Trench and Miss Stewart (Ulster) beat Miss Stewart and Mrs. Plews—15-10, 15-13; Mrs. C. F. Davies and Mrs. L. C. Gosta (Ulster) lost to Miss Pilkington and Miss Mulligan—18-14, 15-17, 7-15.

Mixed Doubles—Miss Sweenie and J. A. Davidson (Ulster) beat Miss Stewart and G. A. Overend—15-13, 17-14; Mrs. Trench and G. R. Stewart (Ulster) beat Miss Mulligan and R. H. Lambert—15-13, 15-9; Mrs. L. C. Gosta and J. F. Towers (Ulster) lost to Mrs. Plews and R. H. Plews—5-15, 15-10, 10-15; Mrs. C. F. Davies and F. K. Dashwood (Ulster) lost to Miss Pilkington and G. Murray—16-13, 9-15, 10-15.

Men's Singles—R. D. McCallum (Ulster) lost to A. Kennedy—15-8, 10-15, 17-19; A. Austin (Ulster) beat Lt. R. A. Goff—6-15, 9-15.

Men's Doubles—J. A. Davidson and J. D. McCallum (Ulster) lost to C. P. Lambert and F. A. Kennedy—13-18, 15-7, 17-16; J. F. Towers and G. R. Stewart (Ulster) lost to R. A. Goff and G. Overend—5-15, 6-15; A. E. Austin and R. K. Dashwood (Ulster) lost to R. H. Plews and G. Murray—10-15, 12-15.

BILLIARDS.

SMITH DEFEATS NEWMAN.

The champion was beaten by Smith in their 9,000 match at Manchester on Saturday by 582. In the early session the chief breaks were 207, 65, 344 and 63 (unfinished) for the winner, and 109, 210 and 178 by Newman, the interval scores being—Smith (in play), 7,355; Newman, 6,705. Smith carried on his unfinished break to 818, and subsequently made 112, 117 and 205. The champion's runs were 64, 104, 233 and 240. Result:—Smith, 9,000; Newman, 7,418.

THE SECOND TEST.

AUSTRALIAN BOWLING MASTERED.

HOBBS AND SUTCLIFFE BAT ALL DAY.

When Australia compiled the record score of 600 on Friday, they put themselves, as far as the Second Test match was concerned, behind a very strong barricade, but at the same time they provided English cricket with one of the greatest opportunities it had ever had of retrieving its lost *prestige*. The only danger was that, faced with such a mountain of runs, the English batsmen might be knocked off their form.

All fears in this direction, however, were dispelled on Saturday when, in the finest first-wicket partnership ever played on the Melbourne ground, Hobbs and Sutcliffe, England's opening pair, far from being overawed by their doughty foes, defied them for the whole day, and when stumps were drawn had compiled the magnificent total of 283 for no wicket.

Hobbs surpassed himself, and Sutcliffe, the accomplished stylist, proved an ideal partner. There was a remarkable demonstration of enthusiasm at the close. The cheers which began when the batsmen started their walk from the crease lasted until they had disappeared inside the pavilion. Many of the spectators in their excitement jumped over the rails and surrounded the English pair, many of them struggling to pat one or the other on the back.

The weather was glorious throughout, and the wicket perfect. The official attendance figures were 48,510, and the gate receipts £9,806.

In contributing 154 the Surrey crack captivated the huge crowd of 48,000 by his masterly skill, his perfect technique, and his faultless judgment. With his first three runs he completed his 2,000 for England-Australia Test Matches, and so, in addition to having scored more centuries than any other player, he has now scored more runs in these matches than any other Englishman. Until Saturday A. C. Maclaren's 1,931 was the English record.

Several Australians, however, have scored more than 2,000, the highest being Clem Hill's 2,660.

Sutcliffe played a very fine innings, his cutting and favourite forcing strokes to the off being attractive features. Like Hobbs, he reached the boundary on twelve occasions. Apparently his injured arm did not trouble him in the least.

A NEW RECORD.

This is the third consecutive occasion that England's opening batsmen have put up more than a hundred for the first wicket, their previous efforts being 157 and 110 at Sydney in the first Test. This is a record for Test cricket, and for anything like a parallel one it is one has to go back to 1903, when W. G. Grace and A. E. Stoddart made three successive partnerships of over a century for the first wicket against the touring Australian team, but only one of these occurred in a Test match.

With a confidence that augured well for their subsequent play, Hobbs and Sutcliffe opened England's innings to the bowling of Gregory and Kelleway. The Surrey man faced the first over from Gregory, swept the first delivery to leg for a couple, and in the next over from Kelleway he tapped the ball to mid-on for a single, thus completing his 2,000 runs for the England-Australia Test matches.

FREQUENT BOWLING CHANGES.

Both batsmen played admirable cricket. They were cautious, as the occasion demanded, but nevertheless stylish and attractive to watch. Collins began making bowling changes early, as at 17 he brought Ryder on at Kelleway's end.

With the total at 16 Hobbs gave a very hard chance to Gregory in the slips. It must, however, have been a "ghost of a chance," as the big fast bowler, who has a reputation of being the finest slip fielder in Australia, could not reach the ball, though he dived and fell in the attempt.

Kelleway soon reappeared at Gregory's end at 34. Collins's idea apparently being to give the batsmen no attempt to get used to any one bowler. Sutcliffe, however, appeared to enjoy the change, for he crashed the new bowler's first delivery through cover to the ropes in beautiful style. This caused the 50 to be hoisted when the innings was an hour and eight minutes old.

Hobbs, batting with all his masterly skill, was not much obscured for deftly turning three consecutive balls from Mailey to leg, and then sending Kelleway skimming to the square-leg boundary—his latter a pretty stroke.

The total stood at 60 when Mailey went off in favour of Hartkopf, who bowled a slower ball, but gets rather more spin on. Mailey's figures were 0 for 29 at this point.

Hobbs greeted Hartkopf's appearance with a four to leg, and then off the next delivery, and drew loud cheers. Kelleway, although difficult to score from, did not meet with any success, and at 66 Arthur Richardson came on in his place. Kelleway's figures were then 8-4-12-0. One run later the Australians adjourned for lunch, the total being 70 for no wicket, Hobbs 39 and Sutcliffe 29.

THE FIRST 100.

Hartkopf and Gregory re-opened the attack after lunch. Hobbs and Sutcliffe resumed with undiminished confidence, and the former,

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ATHLETICS.

DUBLIN CITY HARRIERS' HANDICAPS.

The Dublin City Harriers held a series of three flat handicaps at Croke Park on Saturday last, a rather unusual feature of the cross-country season. The events were a 100 yards, a 300 yards, and a mile race, and in each a good field competed. The track was in a very sodden state owing to the heavy rains of the previous days, and consequently the times were slow, but the conditions otherwise were favourable. The various handicaps were productive of a very good finish, the three placed men being fairly bunched. The winner proved to be S. Hennessy (2 yds.), who beat L. McCann by about a foot, with the scratchman, J. Connolly, in third place. Hennessy was also placed in the 300 yards handicap, but in this race he just failed to give 12 yards to A. Mooney, who won in 36 1-5 secs. A field of eighteen turned out for the mile. J. Nally figured on scratch, and was asked to give away starts up to 150 yards. He had all of the field, with the exception of B. Keasy, in hands when the bell rang, but the latter was not overhauled, and won by more than his handicap allowance. Details:—

100 Yards Handicap—First Heat—J. Connolly (scratch), 1; J. McCann (5½ yds.), 2; A. Mooney (7 yds.), 3. Won by a yard; three yards. Time—11 secs.
Second Heat—S. Hennessy (3 yds.), 1; P. J. Drew (6 yds.), 2; M. Reid (5 yds.), 3. Won by three yards; a yard. Time—11½ secs.
Third Heat—L. McCann (11 yds.), 1; J. Maguire (5½ yds.), 2; T. Lawless (11 yds.), 3. Won by four yards; two yards. Time—11 1-5 secs.

FINAL.

Hennessy	1
McCann	2
Connolly	3

Won by less than a foot; half a yard between second and third. Time—11¼ secs.
300 Yards Handicap—A. Mooney (30 yds.), 1; S. Hennessy (2 yds.), 2; P. J. Drew (24 yds.), 3. Thirteen ran. Won by a yard; a foot between second and third. Time—36 1-5 secs.
One Mile Flat Handicap—B. Keasy (35 yds.), 1; J. Nally (scratch), 2; J. Sygnes (60 yds.), 3. Won easily by 50 yards; ten yards between second and third. Time—5 mins. 2 4-5 secs.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

PEMBROKE LABOUR A.C.

In preparation for the Co. Dublin Novices' Cross-Country Championship, which will be held over either the Ashtown or Baldoyle Racecourse on the 17th inst. the above club held a three-mile trial race, over the old championship course at Donnybrook yesterday. The going was very heavy, the fields in many parts being under water. Taking this into consideration, the times were pretty good. The following were the first three to finish:—J. Cooper (45 secs.), 19 mins. 5 secs.; P. Ryan (3 yds.), 19 mins. 44 secs.; D. Hannon (55 secs.), 19 mins. 52 secs. At the conclusion of the race the Committee selected the team to represent the club in the championship.

CASTLE VILLA HARRIERS' HANDICAP.

With a view to selecting a team to represent the club in the County Dublin Junior Championship on the 17th inst., the Castle Villa Harriers ran off a six miles novices' handicap over their course at Castleknock on Saturday last. The weather was favourable, but the recent rains rendered the going very heavy, and the proportion of retirals was large. The race was won by C. Kirk from the 7 min. 45 secs. mark, and he also secured the distinction of making the fastest time.
The placings of the first half-dozen finishers were as under:—

	Net Times.
	M. S.
2—P. Kirk (2 min. 45 secs.)	28 5
3—W. Evans (2 mins. 15 secs.)	28 54
4—J. Ryrne (4 mins.)	33 47
5—H. Caffrey (3 mins. 45 secs.)	31 23
6—W. J. Finn (15 secs.)	29 39
7—J. Murray (4½ secs.)	33 5

GYMNASTICS.

The Presbyterian Association will resume work for the season at 16 St. Stephen's Green to-day, at 7.30 p.m. Members and intending members are requested to attend.

RUGBY.

GREAT GAME AT TWICKENHAM.

ALL BLACKS UNBEATEN.

A REGRETTABLE INCIDENT.

NEW ZEALAND ..... 17 points
ENGLAND ..... 11 points

Beating England in an historic struggle on the Rugby Union ground at Twickenham on Saturday by a placed goal, a penalty goal, and 3 tries (17 points) to a placed goal, a penalty goal and 1 try (11 points), the New Zealanders brought their tour in this country to a conclusion. They have played 28 matches and won them all, and thus can claim to have surpassed the doings of their predecessors in 1905, who were successful in every match except that against Wales. Their full record is given elsewhere, but it will not be out of place here to state that, in the course of their programme, they have scored 85 goals (72 placed, 3 dropped and 10 penalty) and 26 tries, making altogether a total of 554 points. Against them they have had scored 18 goals (8 placed, 4 dropped, 5 penalty and one from a mark) and 3 tries, or 93 points in all. The New Zealanders have still to play two matches in France—one of them against a Paris team and the other against the full strength of France at Toulouse—and if, as seems highly probable, they prove victorious in both of these, they will have accomplished a performance upon which they will be able to look back for the rest of their lives with the utmost personal satisfaction and pride.

Fortunately for everybody concerned, the weather, if dull, was in every way favourable for the decision of such an important match. A wind blew diagonally across the ground, but, although somewhat gusty, it was not of sufficient force to confer any particular benefit upon the sides who, in turn, had it in their favour. Considering the tremendous amount of rain which had fallen recently, the turf was in truly wonderful condition. Naturally it was soft on top, but players could always keep their feet and had little to complain of. The crowd was immense. As early as half-past eleven, people who had not been fortunate enough to secure tickets had taken up positions, and thenceforward a steady stream entered the ground, until, by half-past two—the time of the kick-off—there must have been a company of fully 60,000 present. It was the largest crowd who have ever witnessed a match under Rugby rules, in the United Kingdom, at any rate.

Shortly before the start the Prince of Wales arrived on the ground. He was received with tremendous cheering, which was renewed after the band of the R.A.F. had played "God Save the King," with the huge concourse standing stiffly erect and bareheaded. His Royal Highness, who was accompanied by Lord Lonsdale, walked up in two rows in front of the stand, the players on each side were individually presented to him by Mr. W. S. Donne, the President of the Rugby Union, and Mr. S. S. Dean, the manager of the New Zealand team. Following that, the All Blacks gave their war cry, the Prince looking on from the Royal box, an intensely interested spectator.

DRASTIC ACTION.

It will always be a thousand pities that such a momentous occasion as this match, which assuredly will live long in the memory of those who were privileged to witness it, should have been marred by one regrettable incident. The game was only ten minutes old when the referee, Mr. A. E. Freethy, found it necessary to order C. J. Brownlie, one of the New Zealand team, off the field. The reasons for this are given elsewhere in an interview which the Rugby representative of the Press Association had after the match with the referee. There is no doubt that the feelings had been wrought up and warnings to both sides had already been given. With that the incident may be left, but probably no man on the field was more sorry than Cyril Brownlie himself.

With regard to the game itself, few starrer struggles have ever been witnessed. From first to last a wonderful pace was maintained and the tackling was deadly. It had to be so, for both sides were capable of swift attack. Indeed, it was only their magnificent defence that saved the New Zealanders in the first ten minutes. No quarter was asked or given, men being brought down with relentless vigour. But for this the New Zealanders might easily have found themselves not one, but two or three tries to the bad. One can here pay tribute to the splendid team combination and ability to rise to the occasion, in that, after losing Brownlie, they should have battled on under a severe handicap to gain a memorable victory. They were the better side and deserved to win, but it was only by a small margin that they were better, for the whole of the English team played remarkably well. Rugby reached a high standard that many people before the match had not thought them capable of attaining to. In the handling movements England were superior, for two of the New Zealand tries were obtained by sheer weight and driving power by the forwards near the line. Only the try scored by Svenson was the outcome of real passing.

On the other hand, with Young getting the ball out smartly and Kittermaster playing at the top of his form, the England backs brought off many brilliant movements, and nothing in the whole game was so glorious or roused the enthusiasm of the crowd to such a pitch of excitement as when, a few minutes before the end, Hamilton-Wickes and Kittermaster made a dazzling run from their own line, which ended with Kittermaster scoring. England finished the stronger, for when Kittermaster ran clear away from Wickes's pass not a single New Zealander had sufficient stamina to make even a pretence at trying to stop him. It was one of the rare occasions during the tour when the New Zealand defence was absolutely and completely beaten.

A GREAT DEFENCE.

In defence generally the New Zealanders were, as they have been all the time they have been here, marvellous. Cook in particular did any amount of work in stopping men, but was not nearly the power in attack that he had been in other games, for on several occasions he failed to take his pass. Playing in his twenty-eighth consecutive game, Nepia acquitted himself admirably, his kicking being extraordinarily accurate and of tremendous length. But of all the backs Nicholls was probably the best, his influence on the play being seen both in attack and defence. For once in a way the New Zealand forwards did not have an easy time of it. In the tremendous battle which went on between the two packs England fully held her own, and only getting possession more often, had being superior in the loose. They wheeled more than one scrummage, and Wakefield and Conway led many a rush. Wakefield playing easily his best game of the season. Tucker, who was acting as hooker, got his side penalised many times in the first half for "feet up," while Hilliard spoiled otherwise still magnificent work by getting off side. Still the English pack as a whole had every reason to congratulate themselves, while Young and Kittermaster were an ideal pair of halves. Mill, at the base of the New Zealand scrum, worked hard, but had none the best of it with Young. In comparison with Nepia, Brough held his own splendidly, and for a youngster taking part in his first international match he played a great game, tackling well and getting out of difficulties at other times to find touch with good kicks. Almost invariably he fielded the ball accurately, and his big punts were models of length and direction.

All the three-quarters played finely. Hamilton-Wickes was always dangerous when he got away, and his defence left nothing to be desired. Davies gave some good passes and tackled magnificently; Corbett was admirable in everything he did, and Gibbs fully justified his selection. Whenever he had the chance he was much too fast for any of the New Zealanders, and with a little luck in the matter of the bounce of the ball he would have scored a couple of tries in the second half. Twice he showed a clean pair of heels to the defence, but after punting over Nepia's head just failed to get the touch.

THE PLAY.

A few words as to the run of the game will suffice. From the kick-off, when Svenson failed to field the ball, England established themselves near the New Zealand line, and although Cook relieved the pressure with a long punt to the English "25," England were soon attacking again. Once Davies intercepted and got away, with Voyce, Corbett and Gibbs in attendance, but he swerved inside instead of giving Gibbs the ball, and Nepia was able to clear after a strong tackle. Still England were having the best of matters, Kittermaster taking a high pass and starting a fine movement, while Gibbs ran to near the New Zealand line before Cooke just managed to bring him down with an ankle tackle. On the right Hamilton-Wickes was only just caught in time, and then, after Brownlie had been ordered off, Gibbs broke away, but passed forward to Voyce. At the end of fifteen minutes England took the lead. The forwards wheeled a scrum and came through with a great rush. Voyce kicked past Nepia, and in a flash Cove-Smith got up and fell on the ball to get a try, which Brough did not convert.

From the kick-off there was a great attack on the right by England, but still the New Zealand defence prevailed, and gradually England were forced back. Frequent free kicks helped them, Nepia finding touch beautifully each time. Then at the end of nearly half an hour there was some close passing near the England line, Cooke finally throwing the ball out to Svenson, who went over with an unconverted try. Five minutes lastr New Zealand scored again, Steel dashing along the touch-line to get over near the corner flag. It was the general opinion that he had gone into touch, but, after questioning the touch judge, the referee allowed the try. Just before half-time Hilliard was penalised in front of goal for off-side, and Nicholls, placing a goal, New Zealand led at the interval by 8 points to 3.

England resumed well, Kittermaster twice cutting through, but in ten minutes New Zealand went further ahead, when in a scramble near the line M. Brownlie forced his way over with a try, which Nicholls converted. Less than ten minutes later there was some further scrambling play on the left, and this time Parker scored. New Zealand looked to have the match well in hand, leading as they did by 17 points to 3, but for the rest of the game England carried off the honours. Twice Gibbs got away, but failed to get the touch after punting over Nepia's head. Wakefield led a wonderful dribble to near the New Zealand line, and then, with seven minutes to go, McGregor was penalised for standing offside for Old Wesley Knapp gave a good display at back, Glanville and Holland were the best of the three-quarters, and Sadlier ever a clever pair of halves, and Clegg, Love, Alley and Alexander the pick of a capital pack. Result:—

Bective Rangers—1 goal 1 try (8 points).
Old Wesley—1 penalty goal (3 points).

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Referee—Dr. de C. Wheeler.

MONKSTOWN (6) V. CLONTARF (3).

Although very soft from the persistent rainfall of the week, the Monkstown ground, Sydney Parade, was probably one of the best-recovered pitches on Saturday, and the afternoon, by way of a change, was pleasantly bright and fine. Monkstown, from one cause and another, were unable to turn out at anything near full strength, and Clontarf were unlucky in the matter of breaking their lengthy spell of ill-success, but once again they were disappointed. Monkstown won the game going in favour of Monkstown by two tries to one. Within the first few minutes Monkstown had registered a point, Ganly, who was playing near the interval, while it was not till nearing the close of the match that Freeman gave Clontarf their solitary try. Territorially, Clontarf had greatly the advantage, especially in the second half, but they had not the necessary finish in the scrummages, and they had at least three or four great chances of scoring, besides the one actually taken, but failed to push home to advantage in attacks. Monkstown, beaten in the tight scrums, showed to better advantage in the loose, and in useful kicking by the backs, their scores and the two or three most likely attacks coming from a quick shifting from a stubborn defence by a division upon the visitors' lines. Ganly and Odbert were the most prominent in the Monkstown backs, who had some good runs, and Meadmore defended well and got his score smartly, while Aylward was second to none in the Clontarf pack, where Guise Brown were noticeable in the pack. For Clontarf, Neville and Wolf at half backs, Molloy and Freeman were the best of the three-quarter line, whose handling, like that of the Monkstown three-quarters, was ineffective. Allen and Hopkins worked the scrums well, and Barrett, Roche and Quinn were the pick of the forwards.

Clontarf started off on the attack after a few minutes spent in the home end. Breti fielding a long-kick and finding Molloy away, but a rare dash, per the tyrnots trio and O'Brien. The Monkstown defence was equal to the occasion, and kicked a point home, very accurately. The D.M.P. men had not settled down to their game at this stage, and Ganly was given a fine chance. Freeman putting in useful work. Millar had a good run in a passing movement, and, following some good scrummaging, Brown and Breen had dashes for the line. The defence, however, proved equal to the occasion, and Ganly and Odbert was the next dash. At the Clontarf 25 Freeman received the ball from Johns and dashed over, with a well earned point from a difficult angle. No other scores were registered before the half-way:—

O'Toole's—1 goal 1 point.
D.M.P.—1 point.

A nasty shower of sleet made the conditions even more difficult in the second half and good football was out of the question. O'Toole's men were by far the more dangerous, and some nice combined play between the Synott brothers was a feature. Sutcliffe's pluck and dash, and Gilbert's fine defence were prominent for the Guards, Sergeant Ryan was doing well on the left wing, and Cahill had hard luck in losing the ball. Twelve minutes from time Clontarf had a great chance, but Finlay and Stapleton sent defenders. Ryan, of the Kickhams' goal, brought down two close-in shots and cleared his lines. Then Aylward got away on one of his characteristic runs, and Odbert, who smashed the ball in for Clarke to finish a grand movement with a well placed shot to the net.

The Guards recovered quickly per Howard and Gill. Some rugged work at centre field ended in favour of the drop men, and Cahill levelled matters with a pretty overhead dodging shot. Curran still played well for Kickhams and cleared twice. Then Finlay got one of his long sailing drives up to O'Neill, who lifted cleverly and drove a point home. The Guards were back immediately, and Regan set the scores level once more with a high ball. Aylward and Gilbert were conspicuous for good work in the closing and half-time came with even scores.

Civic Guards—1 goal 1 point.
Kickhams—1 goal 1 point.

Shortly after resuming the Guards found a weak spot in the Kickhams' defence, Fahy and Regan were very active, and two fast shots in rapid succession gave Sutcliffe a chance of goals and gave the Guards a formidable lead. The spectators were treated to some exciting passages as the Kickhams had hard to save the game. They hit out freely, but Howard was marking Ryan closely and Sutcliffe held out for Civic. The Kickhams' pressing for ten minutes before a free was placed for Aylward. The ex-Kilkenny man drove fine over the barrier for a point, but Gill beat Fahy at the other end and negotiated the score. Good work by Finlay, Aylward and O'Neill sent the Kickhams forward, and a smart turn of Banim's was doubled by Clarke into the net. Only a point behind, and now smart in following up, the Kickhams made a long run along the right wing and narrowed the gap. The Guards were hard hit and had to rest their work, however, and grimly held on to their narrowing lead, when a less gritty team would have gone to pieces. Mr. Hickman had a comfortable attack. Final score:—

Guards—3 goals 2 points.
Kickhams—2 goals 2 points.

A good crowd of spectators had gathered by the time the Dundrum pitch for the match between the Civic Guards and the D.M.P. O'Toole's, gaining a lesson from their defeat by St. Mary's before Christmas, now put a strong team out, including all the old stars. I was very interested in the D.M.P. showing, for I had heard of their strengthening by the addition of personnel. They looked a magnificent lot of athletes as they filed in—fully two stone a man heavier than the Guards'. O'Toole's broke away from the rate dash, per the tyrnots trio and O'Brien. The ball travelled hand to hand in the three-quarters

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